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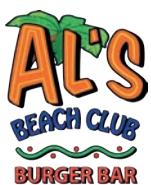
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## On Our Cover:



### "Red, White & Blue Roo"

By Kathleen Broaderick  
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## Opening Remarks

# These Are the Days of the Week

**Hope you're up** for a little change, because we're about to stir things up in the what days are for what department.

**#MusicMonday** and **#MotivationMonday** are history. We're going back to just calling it Monday. Mondays aren't special. Mondays are a drag. If you must, call it "Monday Monday" like that great song by the Mamas and the Papas—only that's music, so no.

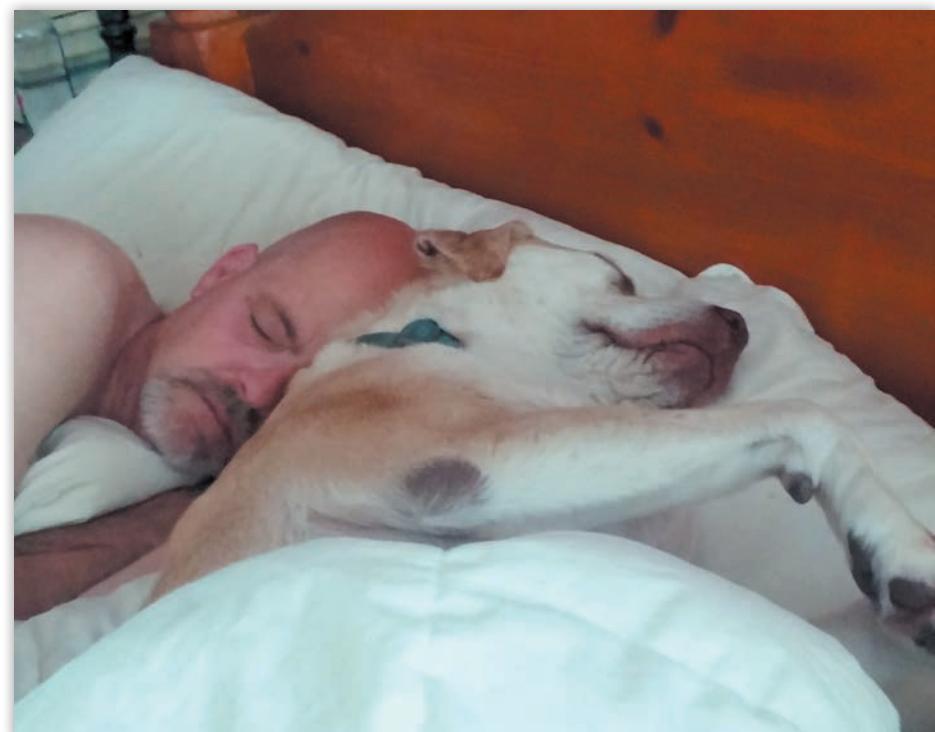
**#TacoTuesday** will continue, but only if you eat your tacos without lettuce. Nobody, I mean nobody, likes lettuce on tacos. **#TuesdayThoughts** is abolished immediately, unless you're thinking about tacos.

**#WellnessWednesday?** Forget it. It's too late for most of us.

**#ThrowbackThursday** will remain, but you can only share photos that are at least 50 years old. You probably deleted most of those from your smartphone.

We're keeping **#FollowFriday**, but Twitter tags are limited solely to **@BeachcomberFL, @HarborDocks**, and, inexplicably, **@TheRealFunyuns**.

As for **#SaturdaySwag**, I've always had a problem with that clumsy (well, nonexistent) alliteration. Let's change it to **#SaturdaySag** and see what kind of horrifying images people share.



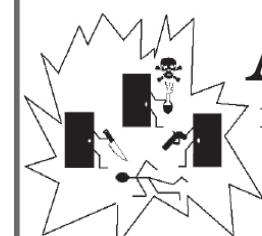
Editor Manson and future Pet of the Issue Lilly put the June 14-27 issue of BEACHCOMBER—and themselves—to bed.

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## This Issue's Contributors

**Kathleen Broaderick** (Cover) is an award-winning artist known for her bold use of color and light resulting in fresh, relatable, energetic pieces. Ms. Broaderick shares tips and techniques during acrylic single-session classes and multi-day intensive oil painting workshops in her CHROMA Studio & Gallery on 30A. To learn more, call 1-844-5-CHROMA or visit [CHROMA30A.com](http://CHROMA30A.com).

**Nikki Hedrick** ("The Truth About Cat Rhodes"), a resident of Seagrove Beach, is a photographer and longtime *Beachcomber* contributor. She co-owns 850 Music and Entertainment and so far, we're happy to report, she hasn't encountered any Bridezillas at the weddings she and Edward McGrath have been photographing this year.

**Samantha Lambert** (Summer Reading 2018) is still loving being back in Florida after 35 years away. She enjoys writing for *Beachcomber* and, as a former teacher, is using her skills to tutor local students.

**Chris Leavenworth** (The Pauseandplay.com Record Roundup) is a writer and musician, and the hard-working honcho behind Destin Harvest.

**Clay Jones** (Cartoons) syndicates his cartoons daily to publications across the country. Mr. Jones was born in Fort Hood, Texas, and was raised in Louisiana, Illinois, California and Georgia. He currently lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia. You can now watch him create his masterpieces on YouTube.

## Opening Remarks CONTINUED...

Finally, the demise of #SundayFunday has been a long time coming. If you're out having fun on Sunday while I'm cleaning the garage and giving the dogs pedicures, I don't want to know about it.

- *Editor Manson*

### YOUR THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS

Thanks for the article, Charles ("Boat Building Visionary: Nothing Average About Steve Sauer" by Charles Morgan III, May 31-June 13 *Beachcomber*). A nice tribute to a unique and talented friend. He will be missed by all who knew him.

- *David Conkle*

A big thank you for continuing to run the articles by Carl Hiaasen. He is a fine writer, and I feel fortunate to have a source to read him.

I have had a hard time locating *Beachcomber* since they stopped being delivered to the lobby of the building holding the fitness center in Sandestin. They have finally completed the construction and maybe you can resume delivery.

Today I noticed many copies of *Beachcomber* at Sacred Heart Hospital. This seems like a great location. I volunteer there several days a week, and this will be an improvement over the old magazines scattered throughout the hospital.

- *Tom Roache, Miramar Beach*



Carl Hiaasen writes about Jesus in this issue of BEACHCOMBER. See page 7.

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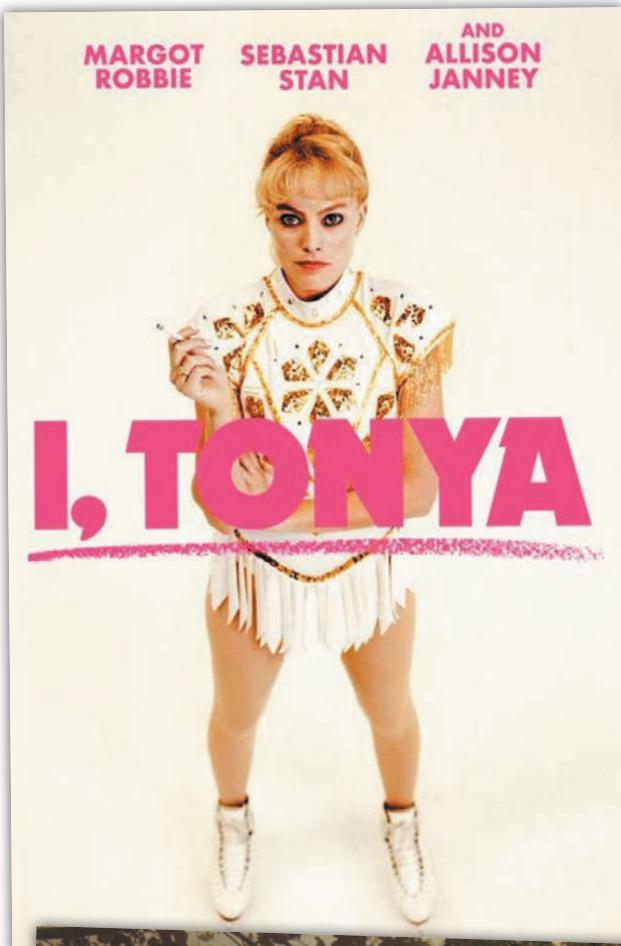
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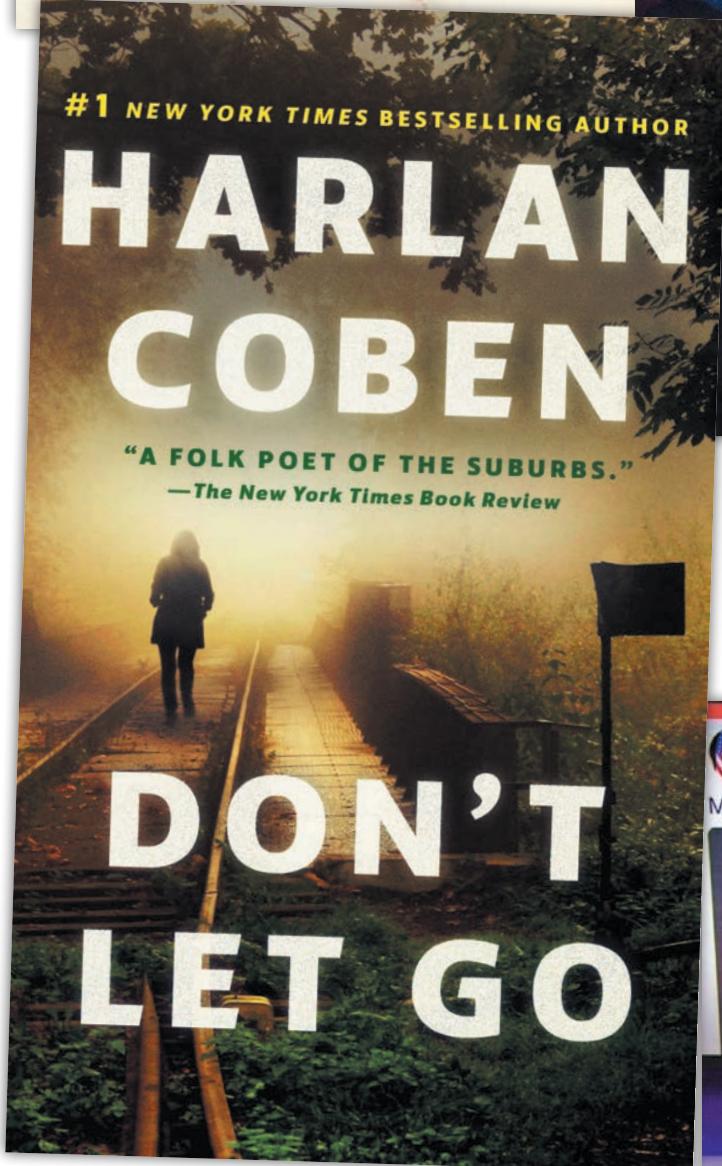
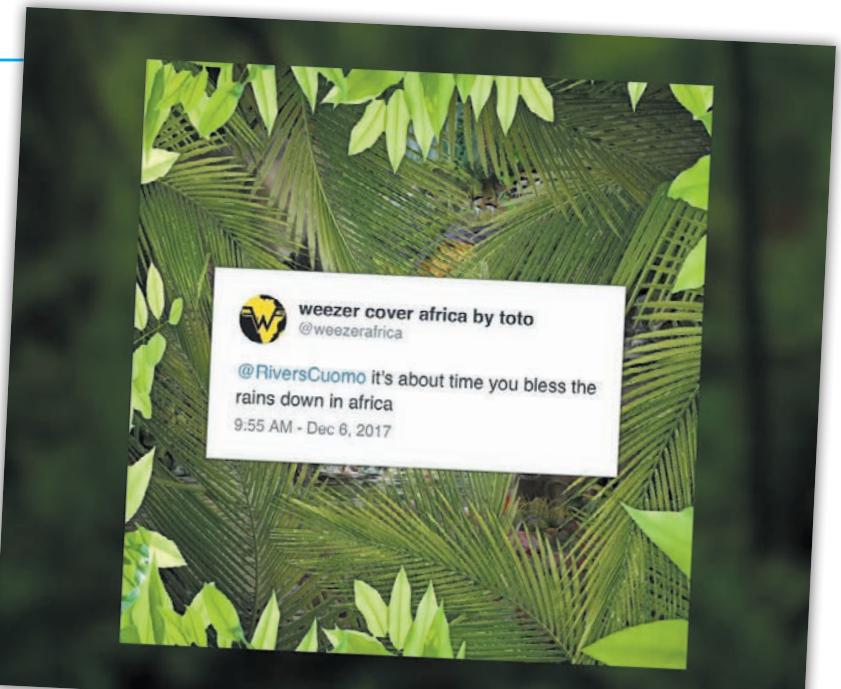
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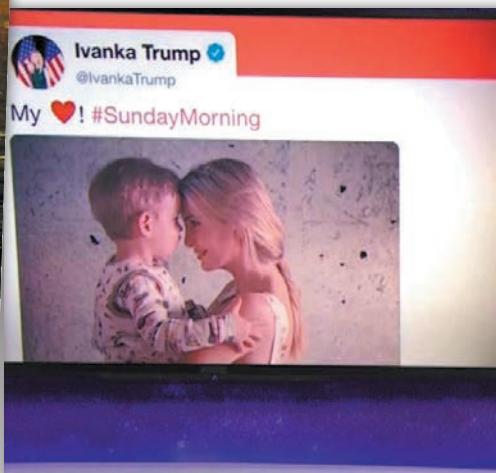
LEFT: Craig Gillespie's *I, TONYA*, currently streaming on Hulu, is the *GOODFELLAS* of ice skating movies—fast-paced, funny and cringe-inducing, with a well-deserved Oscar turn by Allison Janney as Tonya Harding's mother. Hard to believe someone could live for decades without a heart or a soul. Devil woman indeed.

RIGHT: Someday we can tell our grandchildren that for one brief, glorious moment during the summer of 2018, the power of social media was used for good. How a 14-year-old WEEZER fan (perhaps the only 14-year-old Weezer fan) convinced the band to cover Toto's seminal 1982 hit "AFRICA" is anyone's guess, but for about four or five minutes, my faith in humanity was restored.



ABOVE: Actor-director James Franco's *THE DISASTER ARTIST*, currently streaming on Amazon Prime, is the best and funniest movie about movie making since Tim Burton and Johnny Depp took on Edward D. Wood, Jr. You needn't have seen the abysmal film that inspired Mr. Franco's poignant tour de force, but if anyone out there has a copy of *THE ROOM*, can you send it my way please?

LEFT: Harlan Coben's *DON'T LET GO* may be the bestselling author's most absurd (and readable) thriller in years. Now available in mass market paperback, so pick up a copy on your next trip to the supermarket for beer and Pringles.



LEFT: On the initial post-C-bomb episode of *FULL FRONTAL WITH SAMANTHA BEE*, airing Wednesday nights on TBS, Ms. Bee made an apology for her remarks. I didn't think it was necessary because (1) I'm pretty sure women are allowed to call each other that, (2) the network actually bleeped the word out, and (3) the person that really deserves an apology is Rudy Giuliani—making fun of someone's teeth is hardly perceptive political comedy. But I'll keep watching until the rest of the advertisers bail.

# Ruth's Chris to Host Fundraiser for Tenured Server Battling Breast Cancer

**Ruth's Chris Steak House** at Silver Shells Resort in Destin invites the community, loyal patrons and guests to a fundraiser for server **Jimma Grimm** Tuesday, **June 19**, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at their Courtyard Bar.

Ms. Grimm moved to the area in 1989 and has been in the service industry ever since. She is part of the original team at Ruth's Chris since they opened their doors in 2006 and has been an integral team member ever since.

Ms. Grimm was recently diagnosed with Stage Two Breast Cancer and has undergone surgery and radiation treatment in order to combat the notoriously reoccurring disease. Her fight began on March 16, 2018, yet she has a long road of follow-up appointments and expensive prescription medications ahead of her.

One hundred percent of the money donated will be used to pay

for her medical expenses as well as assisting with daily living expenses.

"Jimma is far more than a server here at Ruth's Chris," says General Manager **Mike Sable**. "She is an essential part of the Ruth's Chris family and is known and adored by everyone. The event is being held in response to an incredible outpouring of patron and staff requests, which is a true testament to how deserving Jimma really is."

The Jimma Grimm fundraiser is free to attend and open to the public. Guests are invited to stop by and meet Ms. Grimm and enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres, a silent auction, live music by **Michael J Thomas**, and a live auction by Luxury Estates Auction Company.

Donations will be accepted throughout the night as well. For those who cannot attend, a GoFundMe account has been created and donations



can be made at [gofundme.com/WeFightForJimma](http://gofundme.com/WeFightForJimma). Donations may also be dropped off at Ruth's Chris, located at 15000 Emerald Coast Parkway in Destin.

Area businesses interested in donating silent auction items can contact Caroline Boone at 850-460-7777 or [caroline@proffittpr.com](mailto:caroline@proffittpr.com).

- Proffitt PR

## Val-P Museum's Future Looks Bright Thanks to Land Donation

**The Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida**, through exhibits, programs, and events, seeks to preserve and promote the history of Northwest Florida. Ruckel Properties' recent land donation helps the museum educate the public on local heritage and history through a future expansion.

"The Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida is a worthy cause. It is the keeper of our local history and an educational resource," said **Marion Ruckel Skalicky**, president and CEO of Ruckel Properties, Inc. "My late father, C. Walter Ruckel, Jr., supported the museum with annual contributions, serving on the Board of Trustees, and volunteering with the Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary for the museum's annual Saturday in the Park Festival."

"With this land donation, I am continuing the Ruckel and Plew families' tradition of honoring the past while building the future."

Ruckel Properties' donation will provide the museum an opportunity for expansion so they can continue their mission to educate the

public about the heritage and culture of our area. The museum currently hosts a series called *Heritage Alive! Craft Classes* where a variety of traditional heritage crafts are taught, including basket weaving, knitting, crocheting, soap making, wood turning, and blacksmithing.

This property will also be used for the *Saturday in the Park* and *Yule of Yesteryear* festivals, showcasing Northwest Florida's unique history and culture. The goal is to provide quality educational programs and events to keep the heritage of Northwest Florida alive for guests.

"We are extremely excited about the potential growth of our museum," said museum manager **Gina Marini**. "This museum relies on the community to support our preservation efforts, and we are very grateful to Marion Ruckel Skalicky and Ruckel Properties for their generous contribution and confidence in us to keep history alive for future generations. Ruckel Properties is part of our history, and now they are making history."

- Gina Marini



Marion Ruckel Skalicky and Heritage Museum honcho Gina Marini stand near an old longleaf pine tree on the land recently donated by Ruckel Properties, Inc.

# "A Jet-Setting Jesus? I'm Not Seeing It..."

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

**An absolutely true** news item: Trying to explain why he asked worshipers to buy him a \$54 million private jet, TV preacher Jesse Duplantis said: "I really believe that if the Lord Jesus Christ was physically on Earth today, he wouldn't be riding a donkey. He'd be in an airplane flying all over the world."

A few months from now, at the headquarters of Dassault Aviation in Paris:

"Welcome, welcome, Monsieur! You are interested in our new Falcon 7X?"

"Just checkin' it out. I hear good things."

"And what brings you to France, young man?"

"Long story short—it was, like, 2,000-plus years ago, I died, got resurrected, went to Heaven, hung out with my Father. Now I'm back. Lots of work to do, though."

"Oui, for sure! I couldn't help but notice your humble little donkey."

"His name is Metaphor."

"Absolutely adorable. We'll have him washed and detailed while you look at our jet."

"Yeah, I'm thinking about a major upgrade. The world's changed so much since I was here before. Everyone's saying you've got to go totally global to reach the masses. All the top televangelists are flying private. Some of those comb-over guys on cable have a whole fleet of planes!"

"Monsieur, you've come to the right place. Our new 7X is the ultimate mode of air travel—elegant, yet understated, piety. Allow me to give you a personal tour of the cockpit and cabin."

"Let's do it."

"Uh, but perhaps you could leave your sandals at the bottom of the stairs?"

"Dude, they're brand-new Reefs."

"I'm very sorry, but that's our showroom policy. Follow me aboard. Watch your step..."

"Holy you-know-what!"

"Fantastic, no? This aircraft comfortably carries 12 passengers."

"A good number for me."

"Let's take a peek up front. You can sit where the co-pilot does."

"Very funny."

"I'll start with the basic specs, Monsieur. The 7X has three Pratt & Whitney turbofan engines. It cruises at 459 knots but, if you're running late to a big revival—"

"Actually, I don't do the 'revival' thing—"

"You can push this baby to 516 knots, which will almost, but not quite, break the sound barrier. And, just between us hommes, if your pilot wants to go all 'Top Gun' and show off a little, just put the hammer down and BOOM! Blow the windows out of some cruise ship on casino night—talk about a message from above!"

"To be honest, I'm having trouble picturing myself traveling in such a style."

"Well, picture this: Flying your personal Falcon jet nonstop from Jerusalem to Las Vegas."

"And a devoutly religious person would want to do that...why?"

"To further spread the word of the Lord, of course! And, when you're done, catch Jennifer Lopez's show at Planet Hollywood."

"I'm not familiar with her ministry."

"Ah, Monsieur! I love your quaint sense of humor."

"Seriously. I don't see Vegas in my immediate plans."

"Then go to St. Barts, or Gstaad, whatever. The new 7X carries 17 tons of fuel, which means you can fly all day. Rev. Duplantis and the other preachers have been very pleased. They say the uninterrupted flight time allows them to contemplate life's meaning more deeply, and polish their sermons."

"In other words, the seats fold all the way back."

"Naturally. This is how we define spiritual serenity at 40,000 feet. Also, there's a hot shower in the rear of the plane."

"Why am I not surprised."

"And the Bluetooth is tres awesome. You can see the Stanley Cup live, binge-watch *Narcos* or find your favorite movie. I'm guessing *The Greatest Story Ever Told*."

"Max Von Sydow was amazing, I gotta admit. Yet it all seems so wrong. How can one bask in such luxury while there's so much suffering and poverty and illness among the people down below?"

"The other ministers don't have a problem with that. They say their jets literally take them closer to God."

"It just so happens that He and I are on a first-name basis, and guess what? He won't go for a new Falcon. No way."

"Now, wait, please, you can always do a lease-back. Or consider fractional ownership—I've got a waiting list of Russian oligarchs dying for a piece of a 7X."

"Sorry, but I'll stick with the donkey. Speaking of which..."

"They're blow-drying him now, Monsieur."

Carl Hiaasen is a columnist for The Miami Herald. Readers may write to him at 1 Herald Plaza, Miami, FL 33132.

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# Blessed or Lucky?

By Charles Morgan III

I don't know about being blessed. I know about being lucky. I've had lots of luck.

When I've had bad luck, I didn't feel cursed. I just figured that bad luck was the flip side of good luck. Work a little harder and you tend to get luckier.

But to start with—and to borrow from Warren Buffett—I was lucky to be born a white male in 1954, to college educated middle class parents, in America. I could have entered this world in Darfur, Bangladesh, Somalia, or any one of 100 far away, poverty stricken countries.

But luck is not enough. We all know luck can run out. Sometimes it's as simple as a bad draw of cards. Other times you can have a good hand but play it poorly. One of the great indicators of success in tennis matches is called "unforced errors."

Generally, the player with the fewest "unforced errors" wins.

We all commit and survive self-inflicted errors. Many of us suffer health consequences because of excessive drinking, smoking, drug usage, or poor diets. In the world of politics, sports, and entertainment we see unforced errors all the time.

Since the current President of the United States took office, our country hasn't faced a major crisis. But President Trump, using Twitter as a ve-

hicle, creates three of four mini-crises a day with unforced attacks on movie and television stars, politicians, athletes, countries, and all kinds of strange things that cross his mind.

We wander through life and do what we can to navigate the challenges that come from poor decisions. We try to capitalize on good fortune. We strive to pass on to a younger generation the ideals and customs that make for a good life. If we're smart, we find people we can look up to—people who have lived exemplary lives and have lessons to offer so that we can be decent people.

My mother Camille, like her mother Camille, is an excellent bridge player. In contract bridge, everyone plays the same hands. Hundreds of teams compete with everyone playing the same cards. It takes luck out of the game and the best players, barring the misplaying of cards, should win.

Cancer is a little like that. It is an equal opportunity visitor. There's no need for affirmative action in cancer. It is available to all. Wealth, race, creed, intelligence...cancer makes no distinctions.

My mother received a cancer diagnosis early this year.

She's received great medical care—the same as everyone else at the local cancer care clinic. It probably helps that Dr. Hanson, the surgeon, is a friend of hers. Jaime Braden (Rodney's wife) is the head nurse of our clinic, and she is remarkable.

Pea and Ann, who sit next to my mom in the chemo room, are from Navarre and they have become good friends.

But being caught up in the medical system, particularly for someone who has rarely been sick, is a chore. Getting shuffled from doctor to doctor to specialist to test center to doctor to one imaging lab after another is as taxing as the treatment.

Through it all, there is signage and messaging and promotional material encouraging the importance of a positive outlook and a cheerful approach to life.

Good luck with that. The odds of someone who is grumpy and pessimistic getting a cancer diagnosis and then becoming positively cheerful are slim.

My mother has had a remarkably positive outlook on life for 86 years. She's been patient, understanding, pleasant and smart for as long as I've known her. None of that has changed.

She's almost finished with her course of treatment, and while she might not have been on top of her game for the last few months, she's close.

Camille is playing bridge this afternoon. It's not contract bridge, so she and her partner will get some hands better than others. That's the luck of the draw.

But that won't really matter.



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# Kathleen Broaderick Announces Summer Classes at CHROMA 30A

**Award-winning Santa Rosa Beach artist Kathleen Broaderick**, whose stunning work is featured on this issue's cover, announces details for her Summer Art Series of five intimate, boutique art instruction sessions and one three-day oil workshop.

Painting titles such as "Boathouse Lily," "Seaside Sunflower" and the quintessential "Western Lake," this new series of classes celebrates the natural beauty of coastal life in South Walton infused with Broaderick's signature bold, colorful whimsy. "Red, White & Roo" allows Broaderick to teach her signature patriotic proud rooster and celebrate the summer season.

"What better a way to celebrate summer in lovely South Walton than by welcoming everyone into my beautiful studio gallery and sharing my techniques with fellow art lovers?" asks Ms. Broaderick.

All sessions will be held at Broaderick's CHROMA Studio & Gallery, located



**WESTERN LAKE** by Kathleen Broaderick

at 3925 West Scenic Highway 30A in Santa Rosa Beach.

The single-session classes are two-and-a-half hours long. All supplies are

provided, including gallery wrapped canvases, high-quality professional Golden acrylic paints, brushes and step-by-step instructions, plus all the encouragement needed to make a masterpiece. Wine and snacks are welcome, but experience is not required. The cost for each single session class is \$75 per person.

The class schedule is as follows:

**THURSDAY, JUNE 14**  
"Boathouse Lily," 6-8:30 PM.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28**  
"Seaside Sunflower," 6-8:30 PM.

**THURSDAY, JULY 5**  
"Red, White & Blue Roo," 6-8:30 PM.

**THURSDAY, JULY 12**  
"Western Lake," 6-8:30 PM.

**THURSDAY, AUG. 9**  
**Elementary Acrylics**, 6-8:30 PM.

Get a feel for painting by making a color wheel, mixing color, practicing strokes and then painting small studies on paper. Take home your own small set of six professional Golden brand acrylic paints and paintbrush. Registration is \$100 per person.

A two-day Beginner Oils Paint Class is being planned for Wednesday, **Oct. 31**, and Thursday, **Nov. 1**. For details, visit **CHROMA30A.com**.

As a former elementary art teacher, Florida native Kathleen Broaderick is perfectly suited to lead classes for art

lovers of all skill levels. Her artistic journey began serendipitously during her last semester at Florida State University, when she filled an open slot in her schedule with a watercolor class. After raising two children and teaching elementary school, she turned her longtime passion into a career.

Her love of watercolor is evident in the transparent, luminosity of her energetic, layered oil paintings. Ms. Broaderick deftly captures the essence of her subjects with bold use of clean color and light created with loose brushstrokes resulting in fresh, relatable pieces.

As the 2016 Poster Art Contest winner, Ms. Broaderick's artwork prominently represented the Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation's Festival of the Arts in Destin. The same year, she also won an Award of Merit in the 21st annual juried art competition.

In June 2017, she designed and opened CHROMA Studio & Gallery on 30A. And that August, she was named an Exclusive Artist for Ballard Designs, one of the nation's premier sources for home furnishings. In October, she was named South Walton Artist of the Year for 2018.

To register for classes and workshops, visit **CHROMA30A.com** or call 844-5-CHROMA. For the latest updates on new news and art offerings, sign up for CHROMA e-news at the website, and follow Kathleen Broaderick on Facebook and Instagram.

- Zandra Wolfgram



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**Wednesdays. Watercolor with Lou Kaunzinger**, 10 AM-noon. Cost for four-week session is \$80 plus supplies. Call Lou at 850-897-1456.

**ARTISTS AT GULF PLACE**, 40 Town Center Loop, Santa Rosa Beach. Call 850-622-0400 or visit [www.artistsatgulfplace.com](http://www.artistsatgulfplace.com) for more info.

**ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) Classes at the Art Center Gallery**, Fort Walton Beach. More info at [artsdesignsociety.org](http://artsdesignsociety.org).

**Mondays and Wednesdays. Clay and Pottery Open Studio**, 9 AM-noon both days and 6:30-9 PM Mondays. Beginners welcome. Cost for morning classes with **Pat Basque and Sherry Cooler** is \$15 (\$12 for ADSO members). Cost for Monday evening class with **Marcy Eady** is \$15 (\$12 for ADSO members). Materials and firing included.



**Tuesdays. Art for Children Ages 6-12**, 4-5:30 PM. **Marcy Eady** teaches about the masters and their styles using principles of basic drawing, painting and sculpture. Media vary each week. Cost per month is \$70 (\$60 for ADSO members). All supplies included.

**Tuesdays. Oil Painting with Dale Gauvin**, 9 AM-1 PM. Learn the Chiaroscuro technique favored by the old masters. Cost is \$90 (\$80 for ADSO members).

**Tuesdays. Open Studio**, 7-9:30 PM. Bring your own supplies (except clay—no clay, please) and work with other Beachcomberland artists. Cost is \$12 (\$10 for ADSO members). Call Marcy at 850-585-4967 by 5:30 p.m. to ensure access.

**Thursdays. Watercolor with Pat Farwell**, 9:30 AM-noon. For beginners and advanced artists. Bring your own supplies. Cost is \$90 (\$80 for ADSO members). Supply list available at the ADSO website.

**Fridays. Open Studio**, 10 AM-12:30 PM. Same as Tuesdays, but enter through the ADSO office, please.

**June 21. Life Drawing**, 6-9 PM. Bring pencils and paper. No instruction. No photography allowed. Cost is \$18 (\$15 for ADSO members)—subject to change depending on number of artists.

**June 23. Kaleidoscope Workshop with Cathy Painter**, 10 AM-4 PM. Learn decorative soldering to make a seashell-themed, fully functional kaleidoscope. Cost, including all supplies, is \$165 (\$150 for ADSO members).

**June 23. Life Drawing / Life Painting**, 9 AM-12:30 PM. Bring your own materials and work in any drawing or painting media. No photography allowed. Two models per session—one does short poses, the other a long, single

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## ART EVENTS

### THROUGH JUNE 30. ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) WINDOW GALLERY DISPLAY AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH

This month's spotlight is on the "soft realism" of award-winning artist **Michael Cheney**.

### THROUGH JULY 22. SUMMER ROTATION AT THE FOSTER GALLERY, GRAND BOULEVARD AT SANDESTIN

The latest group of artists to make the cut includes **Melody Bogle, Cheryl Burgess, Carol Ann Cain, Jacques Camp, Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Skip Deems, Judy Dewar, Joyful Enriquez, Capri Boyle Jones, Linda Kernick, Rosalyn O'Grady, William Polley, Lesha Porche, Mary Redmann, Kathleen Schumacher, Jenna Varney, and Krista Vind.** Selected by jury, all artists are members of the Cultural Arts Alliance and each will exhibit six to 10 pieces of work in their own section of the gallery. Also on display—a special exhibit by **Billy the Artist**.

### THROUGH JUNE 29. ADSO'S "FROM THE HEART" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH

Feast your eyeballs on works depicting "something that moves the artist." More at [artsdesignsociety.org](http://artsdesignsociety.org).

### THROUGH JULY 31. ARLENE NEWSOME EXHIBIT AT COASTAL BRANCH LIBRARY, SANTA ROSA BEACH

The artist's photographs and glass and resin creations have been exhibited at Quincy's Art and Things in Seaside, Affinity Boutique in Gulf Place, and Drift in Inlet Beach. Ms. Newsome's work is also exhibited at the Mountain Made Gallery in Franklin, North Carolina. She was the 2013 winner of the People's Choice Award at the juried art show "A Plus Arts" for her watercolor painting of an 800-year-old Italian villa, and is also an active member of the Women's Art Network and the Cultural Arts Alliance of Walton County.

Library hours are 9 AM-6 PM Mondays, and 9 AM-5 PM Tuesday through Saturday.

### JUNE 20. PHOTOGRAPHY MEETING AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH

All photographers, beginners to professionals, are invited to meet up from 6 to 8 PM. Discuss and exhibit your work.

### JUNE 27. ADSO MONTHLY LUNCHEON AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH



At 11:30 AM, Miramar Beach ceramic artist **Skip Deems** discusses "Clay—It's a Mental Thing." Mr. Deems, who produces both functional and non-functional wheel thrown pottery, supports many local charity organizations with his work. Learn more at [skipdeemsceramics.com](http://skipdeemsceramics.com).

Cost of the luncheon is \$12 if you make your reservations by **June 25**—after that, it's \$15. Call 850-244-1271 or email [adsosvp@gmail.com](mailto:adsosvp@gmail.com).

## ART GALLERIES

**ADARO ART** features works from 2015 South Walton Artist of the Year Juan Francisco Adaro, as well as other well-known local and international artists. Open daily from 10 AM to 5 PM. Now located in the Shops at the Hub, 7000 E. Scenic Highway 30A, Suite 21, Watersound, 561-985-5767. Email [adaro.art@gmail.com](mailto:adaro.art@gmail.com) or visit [adaroart.com](http://adaroart.com) for more info.

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**CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY** features the art of South Walton's 2018 Artist of the Year **Kathleen Broaderick**. Browse Kathleen's original oil paintings in the gallery or take a boutique paint class in Kathleen's studio. Kathleen offers oil painting workshops featuring her energetic, loose and colorful style, as well as acrylic paint classes for artists and non-artists alike. The CHROMA Studio & Gallery is a place where guests will feel comfortable expressing themselves and finding joy in art. CHROMA is located at 3925 West County Highway 30A in Santa Rosa Beach (just west of Goatfeathers restaurant). Visit [www.CHROMA30A.com](http://www.CHROMA30A.com) or call 1-844-5-CHROMA for more information.

**FULL CIRCLE GALLERY AND STUDIO** is a contemporary and inspirational art space. We feature the works of regional artists in our gallery and offer an array of art classes with award-winning artists. We also have Paint Your Own Pottery. Come get creative with us! Located at 29B Eglin Parkway SE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-362-8041. [www.fullcirclefbw.com](http://www.fullcirclefbw.com).

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**MARY HONG GALLERY** Located in Grayton Beach (Shops of Grayton), Destin (next to Ulta and Michael's), Nashville (4th and Union next to DoubleTree Hotel) and on Magazine Street in New Orleans. Mary Hong, the 2014 South Walton Artist of the Year, has been featured in over 10 publications and has appeared on *Emeril's Florida TV* show and *HGTV's House Hunters*. Mary's take on glass art incorporates the use of repurposed glass on painted canvas. She and her team offer classes at The Shard Shop, located adjacent to or inside her gallery locations. Classes are offered four to five times

a day, and there is an extensive retail section full of thousands of pounds of glorious glass and art kits to take your ShardWorx on the go. We host parties and team events, too. Grayton Beach gallery open seven days a week, 9:30 AM-5 PM 850-231-1416. [MaryHongStudio.com](http://MaryHongStudio.com).

**THE SHARD SHOP** open seven days a week, 9:15 AM-4 PM. 850-231-0544. [ShardShop.com/](http://ShardShop.com/) **Grayton.** Destin gallery and Shard Shop open seven days a week, 9 AM-7 PM. 850-842-4440. [ShardShop.com/Destin](http://ShardShop.com/Destin).

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Open to all interested artists. Theme is "saving the environment and/or the destruction of the environment." Cash awards. The show runs **July 3-27** at the Art Center Gallery in Fort Walton Beach with a reception **July 6**.

Turn in work at the Art Center Gallery in Fort Walton Beach Saturday, **June 30**, 1-4 PM, and Monday, **July 2**, 9 AM-noon. Copy of entry form with details available at [ArtsDesignSociety.org](http://ArtsDesignSociety.org). Call 850-244-1271 for more info.

### Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation Festival of the Arts

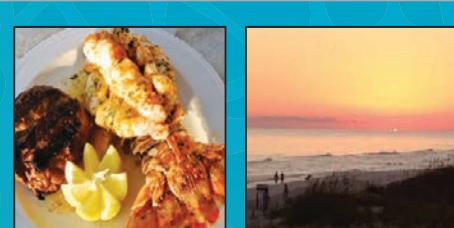
Artist applications and poster competition entries are now being accepted.

Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation's Festival of the Arts is one of the southeast's premier festivals and showcases over 100 artists from across the U.S. The festival is a celebration of art, music, food, family fun and features live music, a food bistro, wine and beer garden, art activities for kids, merchandise and more. The festival will be held **Oct. 27 and 28** at the Mattie Kelly Cultural Arts Village in Destin.

Artists display their pieces and compete for \$10,000 in cash award prizes. Artists must pay a \$30 non-refundable jury fee and a \$210 booth fee.

The winning design for the official poster competition will become the signature artwork for festival t-shirts, posters, marketing collateral, merchandise and will be displayed on the cover of the festival guide (which has over 30,000 distributions). The winning artist will also receive a \$500 cash prize.

Artist and poster application deadline is **June 27**. Visit [MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org](http://MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org) for artist application, rules of participation, and poster entry form. Call 850-650-2226 or email [info@mattiekellyartsfoundation.org](mailto:info@mattiekellyartsfoundation.org) for more info.



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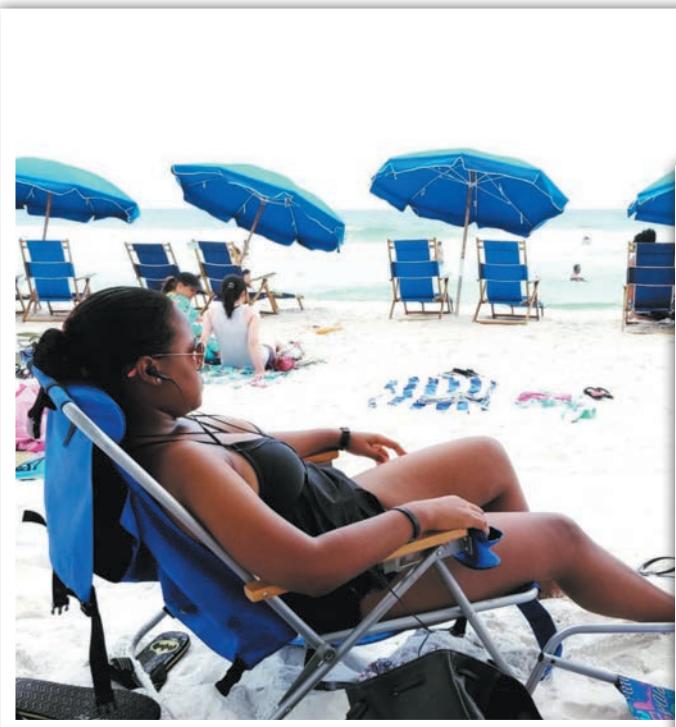




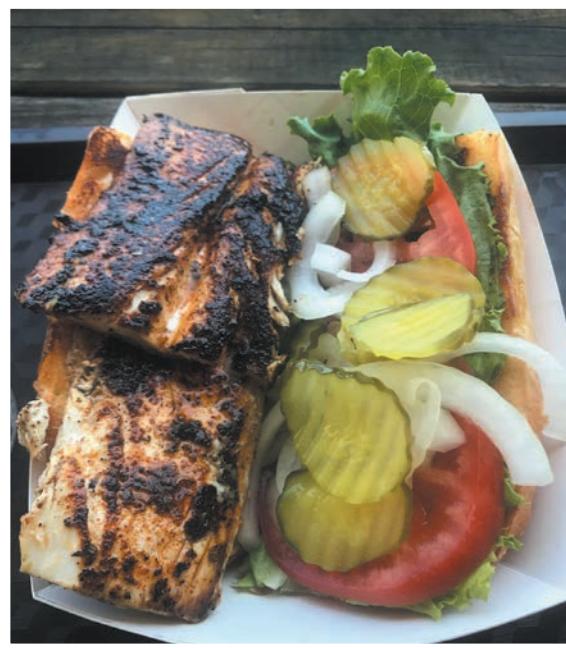
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# The Truth About Cat Rhodes



Cat Rhodes and EdMo Lanier perform at the 2018 Beachcomber Music Awards.

By Nikki Hedrick

**April's Beachcomber Music** Awards was dotted with a lot of familiar faces, but one particular voice seemed to catch everyone's attention. **Cat Rhodes** performed as a guest of Ed Mo and Gwen Lanier of Simply D'Vyne, and Rhodes credits the couple with introducing her to the Destin area.

"They were very inspirational in getting us in that area," says Rhodes. "I love it down there. It's just beautiful. The people are beautiful, and being able to branch out and get other people to appreciate your music and what you do, it's amazing."

Rhodes took to music early in life, with both her mother and grandmother being active gospel singers. "I transitioned from singing with my mom's group, and my mom wanted me to take it a little further than she did," she says. "So, you know I just kinda started branching out and learned that I could write and then got into modeling and acting, and all of it just kinda came in. And

I've been doing it ever since I could talk probably."

"My first professional singing gig? Wow, I guess I was like maybe 17. It was a local group in Mobile called Silk. I was very young, wasn't really sure, you know, straight out of the church. It worked, and it was really something I wanted to do."

Five years ago, Rhodes' career shifted to the blues. She calls it "an easy transition because of the way I felt inside." Cat Rhodes & The Truth released a well-received album, *Knee Deep in the Blues*, and the band has twice represented the region in the annual International Blues Challenge in Memphis, Tennessee.

"Five years ago was the first time I ever had my own band, and The Truth was created by Bryan Morris," says Rhodes. "If it wasn't for him, I would never have been in the blues industry at all. He was the one that said, 'Cat, why don't you try to sing some blues? I think you'd be perfect, you got a perfect voice for that.'

"I started listening to people like Koko Taylor, Denise LaSalle, and, of course, I've always loved Tina Turner because of her power."

"Without music, I'm nobody. It is definitely like air for me," says Rhodes. "It gives me an inner peace, and it's kinda unexplainable what happens when I'm singing. But it's a beautiful thing between my Creator and me—we're just having a good time when I'm singing. So that's the best way I can describe it, it's like a heavenly thing for me."

Although Rhodes has found inspiration in the blues, she doesn't limit herself to one genre. "As long as it's great music and it moves me, you know I can be anything." Rhodes and her band are working towards a fall release for their new blues album, and she's also collaborating on bandmate Morris' upcoming jazz LP.

During our interview, Rhodes takes a pause to re-emphasize the importance of Morris in the creation of her band The Truth and her

musical journey. "He started this band for me, found the players for me. You know, got me out here in the community traveling around with him and the incredible Kenny Neal, who's Grammy-nominated nine times and won three blues music awards this year."

"He and God and my parents are my strongest inspiration, and so I'm just trying to continue to do great music and meet great people like you that appreciate it."

"If I can make someone smile, you know that lights my heart up," she adds. "I do it to elevate happiness and bring awareness to love and, you know, try using in a positive way. It's my platform to show love and to promote love. I try to do it through my music and everything I do." Anyone who has seen Rhodes perform would heartily agree.

In addition to music, Rhodes is gearing up for a new season of her entertainment talk show *Cat Traxx*, which airs on Pensacola's BlabTV.

# Shemekia Copeland Collaborates with 30A Fest Veterans on Upcoming LP

*America's Child* is a groundbreaking, genre-bending work of beauty. Shemekia is one of the great singers of our time. This record introduces listeners to another side of her, and I predict it will result in many new fans. Her voice on these songs is nothing short of magic.

- Mary Gauthier

Shemekia Copeland is the real deal. *America's Child* goes deep, and Shemekia's voice—a national treasure—carries the songs effortlessly, whether topical, personal, spiritual, political or just plain raucous fun. Shemekia rears back her head and what comes out is humanity made vocal.

- Will Kimbrough

**Award-winning vocalist Shemekia Copeland** releases her potent new Alligator Records album ***America's Child*** Friday, Aug. 3. Produced by Americana Instrumentalist of the Year winner **Will Kimbrough** (a frequent visitor to the area who also plays guitar on the album) and recorded in Nashville, *America's Child* is a courageous and fiery statement of purpose, a major step forward for a singer whose musical consciousness continues to expand as her star continues to rise.

This is by far Ms. Copeland's most compelling work yet, with music swelling beyond blues and into spirited Americana, with elements of rock, soul, and country. Her instantly recognizable voice—capable of being sultry, assertive and roaring—delivers every song with unparalleled honesty and passion. The three-time Grammy nominee's wide-open vision

of contemporary Americana roots and soul music showcases the evolution of a passionate artist with an up-to-the-minute musical and lyrical approach.

From the anthemic opening track "Ain't Got Time for Hate" to the closing lullaby, the traditional "Go to Sleepy Little Baby," Ms. Copeland sings with passion and insight about the chaos and uncertainty in the world while still finding joy all around her.

With guests including **John Prine, Rhiannon Giddens, Emmylou Harris, Steve Cropper, J.D. Wilkes, Al Perkins**, 30A Songwriters Festival veteran **Mary Gauthier** and members of the Time Jumpers, *America's Child* bursts with Ms. Copeland's bravado and embraces with her tenderness.

Ms. Gauthier and songwriter-executive producer John Hahn wrote two striking songs for the project. "Smoked Ham and Peaches" is a search for truth and tranquility in America, featuring Ms. Giddens on African banjo. "Americans" celebrates our collective diversity in all its forms and colors. Mr. Prine joins in for a stirring duet on his own "Great Rain." Mr. Cropper adds his scorching guitar to the ballad "Promised Myself," written by Ms. Copeland's father, the late bluesman Johnny Clyde Copeland. And her version of "I'm Not Like Everybody Else" transforms the Kinks song into a blues-fueled declaration of independence.

Upon the birth of her son Johnny Lee Copeland in 2017, Shemekia, with fresh eyes, began to take an even deeper look at the state of the world. Of the new album, she says, "After



having a child, I started thinking about the world I brought him into, how it actually is and how I wished it was and all the things he will have to go through.

"And to live in this world today, you have to have a strong foundation like I did to make it through. So that's what *America's Child* means to me. I'm truly grateful to all the artists that joined me on this record—it wasn't about the genre for anyone, it was

about the music and mutual love and respect."

With *America's Child*, Shemekia Copeland is standing on the cusp of her greatest success. Her intensely empowering, American music is as insightful as it is fun. Upon release of the album, she'll tour nationwide, including a showcase performance at the Americana Music Festival in Nashville in September.

- Marc Lipkin, Alligator Records

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## THURSDAY, JUNE 14

### AJ'S, Destin

MAT HALL, 6-10 PM

### AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach

CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 PM

### AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com

CASEY KEARNEY, 5-9 PM  
Beach Luau Party

### CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com

DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

### CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com

BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

### EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach

JIM COUCH & IKE BARTLEY, 5:30-9:30 PM

### FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650

GRAPE DRINK, 7 PM

### GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com

MAX McCANN, 4-7 PM

### JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village

JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6-9 PM

### LA PLAYA, Santa Rosa Beach

FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7-10 PM  
*Ladies Night*

### LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin

DINO LOURDI, 6 PM

### MATTIE KELLY CULTURAL ARTS VILLAGE, Destin, MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org

GLORIA'S MIAMI SOUND with NIKKI TORRES, 7 PM

*Concerts in the Village. General admission is \$15, MKAF members and kids under 12 FREE. Gates open at 6. No pets or drones permitted.*

### POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach

ROB ROMANS, 2-5 PM  
DIKI ROSS, 6-9 PM

### THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008

RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

### REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com

REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

### RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin

MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

### SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island

JOHN HOORMANN, 8 PM-Midnight

### 30AVENUE, Inlet Beach

CADILLAC WILLY, 6 PM

## FRIDAY, JUNE 15

### AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach

SUPERFACED, 6-10 PM

### AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com

TYLER MAC BAND, 8 PM-Midnight

### ANGLERS, Okaloosa Island

BOBBYD, 6:30-9:30 PM

### BRIC A BRAC, Destin

JONES & COMPANY, 7-10 PM



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### CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com

DIKI ROSS, 5-9 PM

### FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650

FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8 PM

### GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com

ROB ROMANS, 5-8 PM

### LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin

GYPSY PEARL, 1 PM

DREW TILLMAN, 6 PM

### MODICA MARKET, Seaside

THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

### THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008

RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

### RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin

MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

### SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island

CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

### 30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach

Friday Night Originals, 7 PM

### 30AVENUE, Inlet Beach

GOLD & MOTION, 6 PM

## SATURDAY, JUNE 16

### AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach

BRANDON DAY, 1-5 PM

### AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com

TYLER MAC BAND, 8 PM-Midnight

### BRIC A BRAC, Destin

COCONUT RADIO, 6 PM

### CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com

JIM COUCH, 5-9 PM

### EL JALISCO, Destin

MAT HALL, 5-9 PM

### FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650

CADILLAC WILLY, 8 PM

## UPCOMING MUSIC RELEASES

### JUNE 15

Christina Aguilera, *Liberation*

The Allman Brothers Band, *Peach Picks: Cream of the Crop 2003*. Four CDs of six shows with no repeats.

Joseph Arthur and Peter Buck, *Arthur Buck*. Also on vinyl.

The Beat Starring Dave Wakeling, *Here We Go Love*. Also on vinyl.

Lizzy Borden, *My Midnight Things*. Also on vinyl.

Gene Clark, *Gene Clark Sings for You*. 1967 reissue with five bonus demos; also on vinyl.

The Cure, *Mixed Up (Deluxe Edition)*. Also on vinyl.

The Darkness, *Live at Hammersmith*. Also on vinyl.

Gin Blossoms, *Mixed Reality*

Buddy Guy, *The Blues Is Alive and Well*. Also on vinyl.

The Manhattan Transfer, *The Very Best of the Manhattan Transfer*

Johnny Marr, *Call the Comet*. Also on vinyl and cassette.

Nick Lowe, *Tokyo Bay / Crying Inside*. Also on vinyl.

Rolling Blackouts Coastal Fever, *Hope Downs*

R+R=NOW, *Collagically Speaking*. Also on vinyl.

Mike Shinoda, *Post Traumatic*

The Supremes, *The Supremes Sing Holland-Dozier-Holland (Expanded Edition)*. 1967 album with 40 (!) bonus tracks.

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Dan + Shay, *Dan + Shay*

Dawes, *Passwords*. Also on vinyl.

Gang Gang Dance, *Kazuashita*. Also on vinyl.

Garbage, *Version 2.0 (20th Anniversary Deluxe Edition)*. Also on vinyl.

Impending Doom, *The Sin and Doom Vol. II*. Also on vinyl.

Marduk, *Viktoria*

T. Hardy Morris, *Dude, the Obscure*. Also on vinyl.

Nine Inch Nails, *Bad Witch*. Also on vinyl.

Panic! At the Disco, *Pray for the Wicked*. Also on vinyl.

Plumb, *Beautifully Broken*

The Record Company, *All of This Life*. Also on vinyl.

Kamasi Washington, *Heaven & Earth*. Also on vinyl.

Turn It Around: *The Story of East Bay Punk*. 2017 documentary narrated by Iggy Pop; DVD and Blu-ray.

12 Inch Dance: *90s Remix*. Three CDs with New Order, Electronic, Deee-Lite and more.

Sources: allmusic.com, metacritic.com, Pauseandplay.com

## Live Music

# Duke and TK Bardwell, Forrest Williams and More at June 16 Bands of 30A Benefit Show

**Bands of 30A** hosts a charity concert Saturday, **June 16**, from 4 to 9 PM, at Grayton Beer Company Taproom in Santa Rosa Beach.

The event marks the fourth concert put on by the Bands of 30A, an organization designed to bring local musicians together to support meaningful charities. The featured beneficiary receiving all proceeds from the concert is **Westonwood Ranch**, located in Freeport.

Live music begins with **TK Bardwell** and Beachcomber Music Awards Hall of Famer **Duke Bardwell** featuring **Mark Gillespie** at 4 PM; followed by **The Max McCann Band** at 5; a songwriters round with **Q'werty, Mel Knapp** and **David Chastang**



at 6; **Spanish Fly** at 7; and the Beachcomber Music Award winning **Forrest Williams Band** at 8.

Seagrove Beach Catering will have dinner plates available for purchase. 30A provides wine, and Grayton Beer Company will serve their ice-cold brew. Shore Thing Cigars will be set up on site, too.

Donations from area businesses—including a fishing charter, bonfire, and more—will be raffled off for the event's beneficiary.

Concertgoers are asked to make a \$10 donation to enjoy the entire evening of music. Donations may be made at the event or in advance at [BandsOf30A.com](http://BandsOf30A.com). The family-friendly event is open to the public. Guests who purchase an official Bands of 30A cup from the donation table can take advantage of discounted drink prices.

A limited quantity of VIP packages are available for advance purchase. The \$60 packages includes admission, priority seating, discounted drink cup, event t-shirt or hat, and a Bands of 30A VIP lanyard. Pre-order your VIP tickets online.

To support the concert and answer questions about their organization, representatives from Westonwood Ranch will be attending the concert. Westonwood Ranch offers a unique learning curriculum to improve life skills and vocational skills to young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

In its first three charity concerts—in September and December 2017, and March 2018—Bands of 30A has raised over \$20,000 for charity.

- Casey Kearney

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## SUNDAY, JUNE 17

**AJ'S, Destin**  
JONES & COMPANY, 4-8 PM

**AJ'S, Grayton Beach**  
THE PICKLED PICKERS, 3-7 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
[AlsBeachClub.com](http://AlsBeachClub.com)  
DINO LOURDI, 5-9 PM

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
[CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com](http://CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com)  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach**  
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – DUKE BARDWELL – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 7-10 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
[GrowlerGarage30A.com](http://GrowlerGarage30A.com)  
SCOTT ROCKWOOD & SHAWN HARTUNG, 4-7 PM

**GULF PLACE ON 30A, Santa Rosa Beach**  
KICKSTAND JENNY, 6-8 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
[lulubuffett.com/destin](http://lulubuffett.com/destin)  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 1 PM  
HOWLIN' JACK, 6 PM

**McGUIRE'S IRISH PUB, Destin**  
OROBORUS DUO, 11 AM-3 PM

**THE OTHER END, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 3 PM

**POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach**  
BOBBYD, 2-5 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
DREAD CLAMPITT, 11 PM-3 PM and 7-10 PM

**STINKY'S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach**  
THE STEENOS with FRANKO "WASHBOARD" JACKSON, 11 AM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**VINNIE McGUIRE'S, Destin**  
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6-9 PM

## MONDAY, JUNE 18

**AJ'S, Destin**  
MAT HALL, 4-8 PM

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin**  
ROSHAMBO, 9 PM-1 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Blues Jam, 7-10 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
[lulubuffett.com/destin](http://lulubuffett.com/destin)  
RONNIE PRESLEY, 6 PM

**POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach**  
SILVIA MADRIAGA, 6-9 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

## TUESDAY, JUNE 19

**AJ'S, Destin**  
RUMORS: A FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE, 10 PM  
*Street Party Summer Concert Series*

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
[AlsBeachClub.com](http://AlsBeachClub.com)  
ROBERT WRIGHT, 5-9 PM

**BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton**  
Open Mic Night, 8 PM

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
[CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com](http://CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com)  
BLAKE GRIFFITHS, 3-5 PM

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
SCHATZI + THE STRING BOFFIN, 7 PM

**LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM  
*Taco Tuesday*

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
[ReddsFuel.com](http://ReddsFuel.com)  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
[AlsBeachClub.com](http://AlsBeachClub.com)  
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM  
*Fireworks at 9!*

**BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton**  
Open Mic Night, 8 PM

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
[CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com](http://CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com)  
TOM DeVOURNEY, 3-5 PM

**FOKKER'S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666**  
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
CAT RHODES, 7 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
[GrowlerGarage30A.com](http://GrowlerGarage30A.com)  
BOB CUSHING, 5-8 PM

**JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village**  
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6-9 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
[lulubuffett.com/destin](http://lulubuffett.com/destin)  
ALVARADO ROAD SHOW, 6 PM

**OCEAN CLUB, Miramar Beach**  
EMERALD GOLD, 7 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
[ReddsFuel.com](http://ReddsFuel.com)  
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SANDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM



# Live Music

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 PM-Midnight

**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE,**  
**Santa Rosa Beach**  
TED ROCKET Radio Program, 7-8 PM

**THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF,**  
**Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com**  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 7-9 PM  
FREE Wednesday Night Concert Series

## THURSDAY, JUNE 21

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
JOE BAYER, 5-9 PM  
Beach Luau Party

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
**CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin,**  
**CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary**  
Beach  
JIM COUCH & IKE BARTLEY, 5:30-9:30 PM

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
DOWNBEAT JAZZ ORCHESTRA, 7-9:30 PM  
Latin Ladies Night

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Q'WERTY, 7 PM

**GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton**  
Beach  
STEREORIOTS

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
MAX McCANN, 4-7 PM

**JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE,**  
**HarborWalk Village**  
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6-9 PM

**LA PLAYA, Santa Rosa Beach**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7-10 PM  
Ladies Night

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
ALVARADO ROAD SHOW, 6 PM

**MATTIE KELLY CULTURAL ARTS VILLAGE,**  
**Destin, MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org**  
M-80'S, 7 PM  
Concerts in the Village. General admission is \$15,  
MKAF members and kids under 12 FREE. Gates  
open at 6. No pets or drones permitted.

**POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach**  
ROB ROMANS, 2-5 PM  
DIKI ROSS, 6-9 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach,**  
**850-231-1008**  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa**  
**Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 PM-Midnight

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
THE GRAYTONES, 6 PM

## FRIDAY, JUNE 22

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
SUPERFACED, 6-10 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
GRAPE DRINK, 8 PM-Midnight

**ANGLERS, Okaloosa Island**  
BOBBYD, 6:30-9:30 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE LANDING, Valparaiso**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

**BRIC A BRAC, Destin**  
JONES & COMPANY, 7-10 PM

**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin,**  
**CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com**  
DIKI ROSS, 5-9 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
OROBORUS, 8 PM-Midnight

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
ED WRANN, 5-8 PM

**LOS CABOS, Navarre**  
MAT HALL, 5-9 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
THE GRAYTONES, 1 PM

LEFTY COLLINS, 6 PM

**MODICA MARKET, Seaside**  
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**3RD PLANET BREWERY, Niceville**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 6-9 PM  
Grand opening for the brewery's second location.

**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE,**  
**Santa Rosa Beach**  
Friday Night Originals, 7 PM

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
BO SPRING BAND, 6 PM

## SATURDAY, JUNE 23

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 1-5 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
GRAPE DRINK, 8 PM-Midnight

**BRIC A BRAC, Destin**  
COCONUT RADIO, 6 PM

**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin,**  
**CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com**  
JIM COUCH, 5-9 PM

**EL JALISCO, Destin**  
MAT HALL, 5-9 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
HYPERPHLYY NOLA, 8 PM

**G.O.A.T., Fort Walton Beach**  
CATALYST, 9 PM-1 AM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
SHANK, 5-8 PM

# RED, WHITE AND BAYTOWNE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

6-9PM

LAWN GAMES • INFLATABLES  
KIDS CRAFTS • FACE PAINTING

LIVE MUSIC BY FIREWORKS

DONOVAN KEITH

9:15 PM

7 PM



# Live Music

**HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin,**  
EmeraldGrande.com  
DEJA VU, 7 PM  
Rock the Docks

**JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE,**  
HarborWalk Village  
BRANDON DAY & ADRIAN HOWLAND,  
9 PM-Midnight

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
lulubuffett.com/destin  
THE GRAYTONES, 1 PM  
KYLE BRADY, 6 PM

**MEZCAL, Miramar Beach**  
DIKI ROSS, 6-10 PM

**OLD FLORIDA FISH HOUSE, Seagrove Beach**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7:30-10:30 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SANDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**VINNIE McGUIRE'S, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

## SUNDAY, JUNE 24

**AJ'S, Destin**  
JONES & COMPANY, 4-8 PM

**AJ'S, Grayton Beach**  
THE PICKLED PICKERS, 3-7 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
AlsBeachClub.com  
DINO LOURDI, 5-9 PM

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach**  
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – DUKE BARDWELL – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 7-10 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
GrowlerGarage30A.com  
SCOTT ROCKWOOD & SHAWN HARTUNG, 4-7 PM

**GULF PLACE ON 30A, Santa Rosa Beach**  
NEW EARTH ARMY, 6-8 PM

**LJ SCHOONERS, Niceville**  
ROB ROMANS, 4 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
lulubuffett.com/destin  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 1 PM  
KYLE BRADY, 6 PM

**POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach**  
BOBBYD, 2-5 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
DREAD CLAMPITT, 11 AM-3 PM and 7-10 PM

**STINKY'S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach**  
THE STEENOS with FRANKO "WASHBOARD" JACKSON, 11 AM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**VINNIE McGUIRE'S, Destin**  
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6-9 PM

## MONDAY, JUNE 25

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin**  
ROSHAMBO, 9 PM-1 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Blues Jam, 7-10 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
lulubuffett.com/destin  
DERRICK DORSEY, 6 PM



Washington, D.C. power pop outfit StereoRiots stop by the Green Door in Downtown Fort Walton Beach Thursday, June 21.

*Photo courtesy of Bread & Circuses Inc.*

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

## TUESDAY, JUNE 26

**AJ'S, Destin**  
THE ULTIMATE KING OF POP TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL JACKSON, 10 PM  
*Street Party Summer Concert Series*

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
AlsBeachClub.com  
ROBERT WRIGHT, 5-9 PM

**BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton**  
Open Mic Night, 8 PM

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com  
BLAKE GRIFFITHS, 3-5 PM

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
SCHATZI + THE STRING BOFFIN, 7 PM

**LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM  
*Taco Tuesday*

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
lulubuffett.com/destin  
JUSTIN YAWN, 5 PM

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
ReddsFuel.com  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach**  
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
AlsBeachClub.com  
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM  
Fireworks at 9!

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK**  
AWESOME FOOD & GREAT LIVE MUSIC!  
FOR RESERVATIONS OR MORE INFO  
850-424-6650  
OR VISIT [www.graffitifbs.com](http://www.graffitifbs.com)

# PET OF THE ISSUE

## Benedict

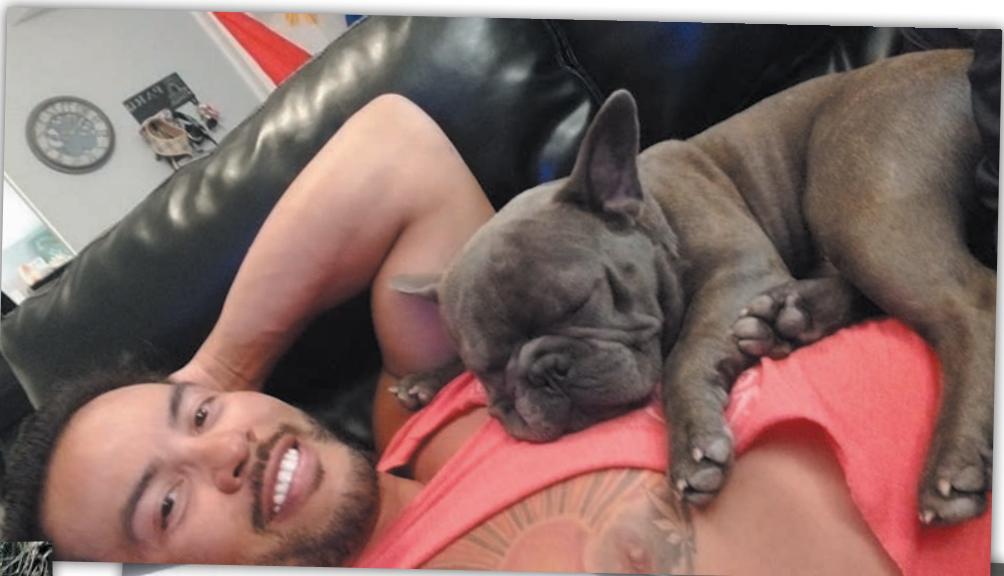
Submitted by Michael Lauver

Benedict, a French Bulldog, just turned a year old, and Michael says featuring him in Pet of the Issue makes for an awesome (though belated) gift. "I bought him when he was only five pounds and eight weeks old," says the proud doggy daddy. "He loves playing tag and going to the dog park."

"He's a brave little pup and has no problems confronting any dog he approaches, even the ones I find intimidating!"

**RIGHT:** Benedict takes a nap on Michael's belly. "He's not as light as when I got him."

**BELOW:** Benedict and Michael in a tree at the Destin Dog Park. "No, he didn't climb up himself," says Michael. "But he jumped down on his own!"



**ABOVE:** "At a month old, Benedict learned how to put his paw up to shake hands," says Michael. "I put up a peace sign for this picture, and he put his up, too!"

**LEFT:** Benedict poses magnificently on a fire hydrant.

Submit your best friend for a future Pet of the Issue feature! Email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com).

# Events

All information is subject to change. Please refer to the contact numbers and/or emails/websites for up-to-the-minute details. Send us your June 28-July 11 events by 5 PM Thursday, **June 21**, or they will not be in our next issue. Please submit events in the format used here. Photos welcome. Email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com).

## THURSDAY, JUNE 14

### BEACH LUAU PARTY

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM

[AlsBeachClub.com](http://AlsBeachClub.com)

Family-friendly event featuring island dance and fire performances, and other thrilling acrobatics by **Aerial Events** beginning at 8 PM. Prizes for tropical beach games for kids and adults (hula hoop, limbo, etc.), plus live music from Beachcomber Music Award winner **Casey Kearney**, Polynesian pig roast, tropical cocktails, and a fantastic view of the Gulf of Mexico.

### LET FREEDOM RING | ALL-AMERICAN TRIBUTE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 6:30 PM

[EmeraldGrande.com](http://EmeraldGrande.com)

One-of-a-kind vintage WWII air show, live entertainment, fireworks and more.

### MAGICAL THURSDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7 and 8 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

Captain Davy takes you on an adventure with two fantastic magic shows.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 15

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM

[TheMarketShops.com](http://TheMarketShops.com)

FREE Bootcamp with **Cayce Collins** of Encore Fitness. Bring your own mat.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 15- SATURDAY, JUNE 16

### TRUNK SHOW FEATURING LOVE TOKENS JEWELRY

Today's Boutique, Destin, 11 AM-7 PM Both Days [TodaysDestin.com](http://TodaysDestin.com)

Founder and jewelry designer **Stacey DeGraffenreid's** handmade jewelry collection was inspired by a collection of Catholic medals and vintage art deco jewelry that was handed down to her. The line started with 50 pieces and has grown into thousands since 1990. Today's Boutique stylists will be pairing different pieces of Love Tokens jewelry to show this summer's hottest trends. Light refreshments and bits will be available throughout the day.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 16

### GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET

Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM

[GrandBoulevard.com](http://GrandBoulevard.com)

### SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET

Seaside, 8 AM

[SeasideFL.com](http://SeasideFL.com)

## SUNDAY, JUNE 17

### SUNDAY MARKET

Gulf Place on 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 4-8 PM

[GulfPlaceFL.com](http://GulfPlaceFL.com)

Artwork, candles, food and more from Emerald Coast artisans.

### 30A FARMERS MARKET

Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM

Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

## MONDAY, JUNE 18

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM

[TheMarketShops.com](http://TheMarketShops.com)

FREE Slow Flow Yoga with **Dannica Marie**. Bring your own mat.

### HYDROFLIGHT MONDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6:30 and 8:30 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

Fly-board guru **Ben Merrell** soars over the Baytowne lagoon and makes waves.

## MONDAY, JUNE 18- FRIDAY, JUNE 22

### SUMMER CAMP EXPLORATION FOR AGES 5-14

Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida,

Valparaiso, 9 AM-Noon

[Heritage-Museum.org](http://Heritage-Museum.org)

Campers will explore and learn the history of Northwest Florida, and they'll have fun with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) related topics. Plus—mystery solving in Paradise Gardens, a visit from a beekeeper, and special guests from the local fire and police departments. Space is limited. Call 850-678-2615 to preregister. Cost for the week is \$75 per child (\$65 for museum family members).

## TUESDAY, JUNE 19

### BOOMIN' TUESDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7-9:15 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

Lawn games and inflatables in the Events Plaza, followed by a breathtaking fireworks show at 9:15.

### FAT TUESDAY PARADE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7 PM

[EmeraldGrande.com](http://EmeraldGrande.com)

Dazzling floats, colorful costumes, street performers, and live music on the main stage. Plus beads! Parade starts at 8:30.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

### FIREWORKS

The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 9 PM

[TheBoardwalkOI.com/fireworks](http://TheBoardwalkOI.com/fireworks)

Boom boom, baby!

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM

[TheMarketShops.com](http://TheMarketShops.com)

FREE Buti Yoga with **Katie Truax**. Bring your own mat.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 21

### BEACH LUAU PARTY

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM

[AlsBeachClub.com](http://AlsBeachClub.com)

Family-friendly event featuring island dance and fire performances, and other thrilling acrobatics by **Aerial Events** beginning at 8 PM. Prizes for tropical beach games for kids and adults (hula hoop, limbo, etc.), plus live music from **Joe Bayer**, Polynesian pig roast, tropical cocktails, and a fantastic view of the Gulf of Mexico.

## LET FREEDOM RING | ALL-AMERICAN TRIBUTE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 6:30 PM

[EmeraldGrande.com](http://EmeraldGrande.com)

One-of-a-kind vintage WWII air show, live entertainment, fireworks and more.

## MAGICAL THURSDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7 and 8 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

Captain Davy takes you on an adventure with two fantastic magic shows.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 22

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM

[TheMarketShops.com](http://TheMarketShops.com)

FREE Bootcamp with **Cayce Collins** of Encore Fitness. Bring your own mat.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 23

### GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET

Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM

[GrandBoulevard.com](http://GrandBoulevard.com)

## NINTH ANNUAL ARC OF THE EMERALD COAST BLUEBERRY BASH

The Arc of the Emerald Coast Santa Rosa, Milton, 8 AM-2 PM

[ArcEmeraldCoast.org](http://ArcEmeraldCoast.org)

Pick fresh blueberries and listen to live music while shopping from local vendors. Plus—arts and crafts, children's activities, "Show & Shine" car show, and Blueberry Bash 5K Run/Walk.

For info on vendor spaces, sponsorships, and car registration, email [Ethatcher.arcec@gmail.com](mailto:Ethatcher.arcec@gmail.com).

### SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET

Seaside, 8 AM

[SeasideFL.com](http://SeasideFL.com)

## SUNDAY, JUNE 24

### SUNDAY MARKET

Gulf Place on 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 4-8 PM

[GulfPlaceFL.com](http://GulfPlaceFL.com)

Artwork, candles, food and more from Emerald Coast artisans.

### 30A FARMERS MARKET

Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM

Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

## MONDAY, JUNE 25

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM

[TheMarketShops.com](http://TheMarketShops.com)

FREE Slow Flow Yoga with **Dannica Marie**. Bring your own mat.

### HYDROFLIGHT MONDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6:30 and 8:30 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

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## TUESDAY, JUNE 26

### BOOMIN' TUESDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7-9:15 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

Lawn games and inflatables in the Events Plaza, followed by a breathtaking fireworks show at 9:15.

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[EmeraldGrande.com](http://EmeraldGrande.com)

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## Events

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27**

**FIREWORKS**

The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 9 PM

[TheBoardwalkOI.com/fireworks](http://TheBoardwalkOI.com/fireworks)

Boom boom, baby!

**FITNESS ON THE LAWN**

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM

[TheMarketShops.com](http://TheMarketShops.com)

FREE Buti Yoga with **Katie Truax**. Bring your own mat.

**SAVE OUR CATS AND KITTENS OF FORT WALTON BEACH 25TH ANNIVERSARY**

SOCKS Shelter, 498 Carmel Drive, Fort Walton Beach, 5 PM

[SaveOurCatsAndKittens.com](http://SaveOurCatsAndKittens.com)

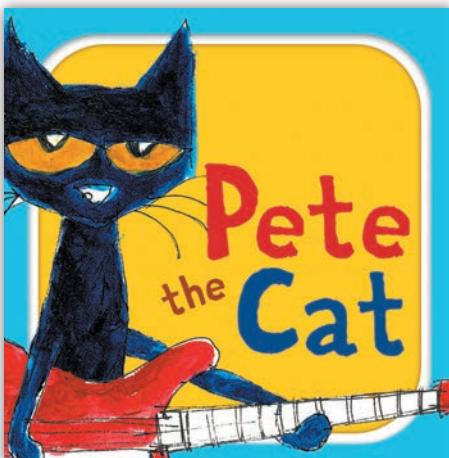
SOCKS has found homes for thousands of cats and kittens since 1993. To honor their founder, the **Sara Demonbrun** Giving Tree will be unveiled. The tree, painted by former shelter employees **Natasha Vanheteren** and **Jessica Dhondt**, honors Ms. Demonbrun for her rescue efforts and commitment to cats. The guest of honor will be on hand for the big event, along with musician **Christina Alconcel**. Plus—beverages and hors d'oeuvres. Call Carole at 401-741-8898 for more info.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28**

**PETE THE CAT EXTRAVAGANZA**

Destin Library, 3:30 PM

850-837-8572



A rip-roaring time guaranteed for all, with reading, singing, dancing, crafts and activities celebrating James Dean and Eric Litwin's popular literary character. Seating is limited, so parents of children in grades 1-3 are



Darian, a recent Alaqua Animal Refuge Pet of the Week. Meet your new best friend every Saturday at [BeachcomberDestin.com](http://BeachcomberDestin.com).

Photos courtesy of Alaqua Animal Refuge.

**LIFE  
IS FULL OF COMPLICATIONS  
DINING OUT  
SHOULDN'T BE ONE OF THEM**

A photograph of a restaurant interior. In the foreground, a wooden bar counter is visible with several bottles of alcohol on shelves behind it. Above the bar, a large, ornate chandelier hangs from the ceiling, illuminated with warm light. In the background, there are wooden tables and chairs, and a chalkboard menu is visible on a wall.



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# Events

encouraged to preregister at [## FRIDAY, JUNE 29](http://CityofDestin.com/171>Youth-Services</a>.</p></div><div data-bbox=)

### ANIMAL TALES – “BORN TO BE WILD”

Destin Library, 3 PM  
850-837-8572

As part of the library's summer reading program, kids can see a variety of exotic animals

from all over the world. Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

## TUESDAY, JULY 3

### SMOKE ON THE COAST BBQ & FIREWORKS FESTIVAL

Destin Commons, 5-10 PM  
[DestinCommons.com](http://DestinCommons.com)

This year, 18 area charities team up with

various restaurants and BBQ aficionados to fire up their grills. Attendees will sample mouth-watering BBQ dishes hot off the grills and cast their votes for the coveted People's Choice title, and celebrity judges will award Judge's Pick winners. Starting at 5 PM. Beachcomber Music Award winners **I'magene** and **The Wide Open** will entertain, along with festive street performers. Plus—kids' activities. BBQ

sampling for \$1 per sample is from 5:30 to 8 PM. The festivities conclude at 9:15 with fireworks.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 11-THURSDAY, JULY 12

### MARVIN DEBOLT JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT

Eglin Air Force Base Eagle Golf Course

The Northwest Florida Daily News will be hosts the 39th annual golf classic, with proceeds benefiting the **Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center** (ECCAC).

Young golfers ages 8-18, are encouraged to play in the two-day tournament. Youth ages 12-18 will play 18 holes each day (entry fee is \$95), and 8-11-year-olds will play nine holes each day (entry fee is \$60). Tee times start at 8AM both days.

Entry deadline is noon Saturday, **July 7**. Register on-line at [ECCAC.org](http://ECCAC.org). For more info and volunteer opportunities, call 850-833-9237 or email [Chelsea@ECCAC.org](mailto:Chelsea@ECCAC.org). For sponsorships, call 850-863-1111.

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

### TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL EMERALD COAST CAR, TRUCK AND MOTORCYCLE SHOW

Mullet Festival Fairgrounds, Niceville  
850-499-9214

Hosted by **Northwest Model A & T Club**, **Playground Corvette Club** and **Playground Antique and Classic Car Club**. FREE parking and admission for spectators. Register by mail by **Aug. 31** for \$25—after that, it's \$30. Vehicle registration takes place from 8 AM to noon, favorite car voting from 10 AM to 2 PM, awards at 3. Food and drinks available, plus door prizes and more. Rain or shine event—no refunds.

Download registration form at [nwfmodelaandtclub.com](http://nwfmodelaandtclub.com) or [playgroundcorvetteclub.com](http://playgroundcorvetteclub.com). For vendor info, call 850-860-2764 or email [sapper317th@aol.com](mailto:sapper317th@aol.com).



The Niceville Exchange Club presents a \$1,000 check, along with paper products, to Children in Crisis president and CEO Ken Hair. The products will be used in CIC foster homes, and the funds are critical to help sustain operations of the CIC Neighborhood and to feed and clothe at-risk children. Learn more by calling 850-864-4242 or visiting [ChildrenInCrisisFL.org](http://ChildrenInCrisisFL.org).

## Beachside Worship Services

**CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION EPISCOPAL CHURCH UECNA** 1928 Book of Common Prayer Service, 10 AM Sundays, communion service second and fourth Sundays, morning prayer, first and third Sundays. 66 8th Street, Shalimar, 850-651-9800.

**CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH** Mass schedule (through Sept. 30)—Sunday, 8 AM and 10:30 AM; Saturday, confessions from 4 to 4:30 PM, mass at 5 PM; daily mass Monday through Friday, 8 AM; First Friday Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM; First Saturday Mass, 8 AM Holy Days of Obligation, 8 AM and 6:30 PM 307 Beach Drive, Destin.

**DESTIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** Sunday services—7:30 AM beach services at Henderson Beach State Park, Destin Crab Trap, and the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk; 9:30 AM Xalt service (contemporary) at Destin Life Center; 9:30 AM harbor worship service at Brotula's in Destin; 11 AM traditional service at the Sanctuary; 5:30 PM sunset beach service at Henderson Beach State Park. Call 850-837-2021 or visit [DestinUMC.org](http://DestinUMC.org).

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH** Sunday worship services: 8:45 and 11 AM Nursery and children's church is available. Wednesday bible study at 7 PM Located at 306 S. Geronomo St. in Miramar Beach, three blocks west of Silver Sands Outlet Mall. 850-837-7561.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DESTIN** Sunday bible study at 9:15 AM, worship service at 10:30 AM, prayer group at 5 PM Wednesday supper at 6 PM, followed by youth-kids programs and bible study at 6:30. 201 Beach Drive, 850-837-6515.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEAGROVE** Sunday services at 10 AM and Wednesdays at 6 PM 4915 E Hwy. 30A, Seagrove, 850-231-2884.

**GOOD NEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** Sunday services 8:50 AM, traditional worship 9:45 AM Sunday school, 11 AM, contemporary worship, 4747 Hwy 98W, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-9191.

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH** Sunday worship service, 9:30 AM Sunday school for kids, confirmation class for youth, and adult bible study, 10:45 AM 4325 Commons Drive, Destin, 850-654-1679.

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH** Beach worship at 8 AM at Ed Walline Park, intersection of Scenic Highway 30A and CR-393, Santa Rosa Beach. Vintage service at 10:15 AM at 3834 U.S. 98 West. For more info, call Pastor Jason Scheler at 850-267-0322 or email [pastorj@hopeonthebeach.org](mailto:pastorj@hopeonthebeach.org).

**RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH** Saturday vigil mass, 5 PM; Sunday masses, 8 and 10:30 AM; Daily liturgies, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM; Holy Days of Obligation, 8:30 AM and 6 PM; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 9-10 AM; Confessions, Saturdays, 4-4:45 PM or by appointment. 259 Miramar Beach Dr., Destin, 850-837-0358.

**SAFE HARBOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** Sunday school at 9:30 AM, worship service at 10:30. 801 Airport Road, Destin, 850-837-2133.

**SAINT RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH** Saturday Vigil mass at 5:30 PM year round. Sunday services at 8 AM, 10 AM and 5 PM Holy Day services, call the office please. 137 Moll Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, just off U.S. 98. 850-267-2558. [www.saintritaparish.org](http://saintritaparish.org).

**SANTA ROSA COMMUNITY CHURCH** Interdenominational service 10 AM Sundays. 3524 Hwy. 98W, 850-267-7599.

**SHORELINE CHURCH** Non-denominational Sunday services at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 AM Check out our new location at 140 Palmetto Street in Destin, in the old Nighthawk building. [www.shorelinechurch.net](http://shorelinechurch.net).

**ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Service at 10 AM Sundays. 307 Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-650-2737

**ST. MARKELLA & DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH** Sunday service at 10 AM 400 Hwy. 98E, Mary Esther, 850-244-0822.

**ST. SIMON'S ON THE SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Sunday services at 8 and 10:30 AM and 5 PM 28 Hwy. 98W, FWB, 850-244-8621.

**VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH** Sunday services at 9 and 10:30 AM 101 Matthew one block south of Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-837-8107.

# Commissioners Set to Vote on South Walton Community Asset



On June 25, the Walton County Board of Commissioners is set to vote on Point Washington Preserve's ability to operate.

Point Washington Preserve, or PWP, remains one of the largest event spaces in South Walton. Featuring a 5,000 square foot pavilion and two-bedroom cottage, it's nestled near the intersection of U.S. 98 and JD Miller road, surrounded by hundreds of acres of Point Washington State Park's forest.

"This space is an incredible asset to our community," says **Doug Liles**, director of the Good Samaritan Institute and founder of Point Washington Preserve. "There's nothing like it in our area."

PWP boasts a minimal environmental footprint. With advanced solar technology like Tesla batteries and solar panels powering the space, it's totally off the electrical grid, making it a true zero-energy event center.

"It's an isolated sanctuary, away from the noise, traffic and parking issues

that plague south Walton County," says Mr. Liles.

Mr. Liles and his partners at the Good Samaritan Institute say their original idea for the space was to host science- and technology-based retreats, but after encountering the beauty of the space, they wanted the public to have access to hosting their own special events—such as business retreats, conferences, group meetings, summer camps, corporate functions, weddings, concerts, festivals and marketplace events.

"We hope the community and our Commissioners will continue to support us in this," says Mr. Liles. "We encourage you to write your commissioner. Show up to the meeting. Write about your support in our reviews on Facebook and Google. Anything to show that the community wants this venue."

For a sample letter to the commissioners and more information about how to support this project, visit [PointWashingtonPreserve.com](http://PointWashingtonPreserve.com).

- Carly Harmer

An advertisement for LuLu's restaurant. At the top, there's a stylized sun and palm tree graphic with the text "Lucy Buffett's LuLu's". Below that, the words "Fun • Food • Music" are written. There are three small photographs: one of a salad, one of a sandwich, and one of children playing in a water area. To the right, a list of features includes "Bayfront Dining", "Best Burgers in Paradise!", "Live Music Nightly", "Kid Friendly", "LuLu's Famous Gift Shop", and "Allergy Menu Available". A circular graphic in the center says "Beat THE Wait" at the top, "Go ONLINE to Get IN LINE" in the middle, and "www.LuLuBuffett.com" at the bottom. It also features icons for free Wi-Fi, Facebook, Twitter, and a camera. Below this, the text "Open Daily 11am" is displayed. A large green banner at the bottom contains the text "LuLu's 'Get in Line' service allows guests to Beat THE Wait by getting in line before you arrive." and "Check in at www.LuLuBuffett.com". At the very bottom, the address "4607 Legendary Marina Drive At the Base of Mid-Bay Bridge in Destin" and phone number "850-710-LULU (5858)" are provided.



**Destin Seafood Restaurant**

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**THURSDAYS**  
APRIL 26 - JUNE 28 and SEPTEMBER 13 - OCTOBER 11  
**at 7 pm** Gates Open at 6pm

**April 26 - Temptation Revue**

**May 3 - Captain Fantastic, 52nd Street & Boogie Fever**

**May 10 - The Petty Hearts**

**May 17 - The Return**

**May 24 - Velcro Pygmies**

**May 31 - Purple Masquerade**

**June 7 - Walter Wolfman Washington**

**June 14 - Gloria's Miami Sound with Nikki Torres**

**June 21 - M-80's**

**June 28 - The Maxx**

**September 13 - Emerald Gold**

**September 20 - Luke Langford & 331 South**

**September 27 - Pickled Pickers**

**October 4 - Forrest Williams Band**

**October 11 - The Wide Open**

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# Beachcomberland Places

## ANTIQUES

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## EDUCATIONAL

**EMERALD COAST SCIENCE CENTER** A unique museum allowing visitors to touch and use the exhibits, including optical illusions, a nature room and a wind tunnel. 31 SW Memorial Parkway, Fort Walton Beach, 850-664-1261. [www.ecscience.org](http://www.ecscience.org).

## FARMERS MARKETS

**30A FARMERS MARKETS** Two convenient locations. Contact Diane at 850-499-4697 for more info.

- **GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS' MARKET AT SANDESTIN** 600 Grand Boulevard, Miramar Beach. Saturdays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM

- **30A FARMERS' MARKET IN ROSEMARY BEACH COMMUNITY** Sundays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM Thursdays (Memorial Day through Labor Day), 9 AM-1 PM

## GOLF

### REGATTA BAY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

This award-winning 18-hole course offers an extraordinary golfing experience for players of all skill levels and was named one of *Golf Digest's* Top Places to Play. Equipment rental available. 465 Regatta Bay Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8080. [www.regattabay.com](http://www.regattabay.com).

### SANTA ROSA GOLF & BEACH CLUB

Referred to as the "Purest golf in the Florida Panhandle" by *Golf Magazine*, this 18-hole, par 72 course offers five sets of tees and a challenge for every skill level of handicap. Situated on 80 pristine acres in the heart of Santa Rosa Beach, this course has a unique character only found around the Highway 30A corridor. Holes three through five wind around a complex of dunes, all within a few hundred yards of the Gulf of Mexico. Dining, driving range, putting green and club rentals available. 334 Golf Club Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-2229. [www.santarosaclub.com](http://www.santarosaclub.com).

## MARINE PARKS/AQUARIUMS

**GULFARIUM MARINE ADVENTURE PARK** Delight in watching dolphins leap and sea lions play during spectacular shows! Or participate and interact directly with these and other remarkable marine animals including stingrays, seals and penguins during interactive programming (advance reservations required). Enjoy educational exhibits and beautiful Gulf views. Open daily at 9 AM 1010 Miracle Strip Parkway SE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-243-9046. [www.gulfarium.com](http://www.gulfarium.com).

## MUSEUMS

**DESTIN HISTORY & FISHING MUSEUM** Open year round, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM Call for holiday hours of

operation. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and military and \$3 for children. 108 Stahlman Avenue, Destin, 850-837-6611.

## INDIAN TEMPLE MOUND MUSEUM

Artifacts and displays showing the rich Indian history of this area. 139 Hwy. 98SE, FWB, 850-833-9595.

## MUSIC STORES

**LEITZ MUSIC** Guitars, bass, drums and keyboards, plus recording, DJ and PA equipment. Sales, repairs and lessons. Gibson, Fender, PRS, Taylor, Martin, Ibanez and more. Open Mon.-Sat. 10 AM-7 PM, Sundays noon-5 PM Located in Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach, 850-863-1099. [www.facebook.com/LeitzMusicFWB](http://www.facebook.com/LeitzMusicFWB).

## PARKS & PUBLIC BEACH ACCESS

**BEASLEY WAYSIDE PARK** Picnic tables, public beach area, barbecue grills, bathhouse, and restrooms. Gulf side of Okaloosa Island, Hwy. 98W.

**BLACKWATER RIVER STATE PARK** NW of FWB off Hwy. 90. You can catch sight of lots of wildlife while camping, canoeing, hiking, and fishing. Milton, 850-983-5363.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN BEACH** Public parking for this access is located at the south end of CR-83 and Scenic Highway 30-A.

**BRACKIN WAYSIDE PARK** Gulf side of Okaloosa Island on Hwy. 98W. Facilities include restaurants, saloons, children's playground, beach volleyball, three beach accesses, showers, public restrooms, and picnic table.

**CAMP HELEN STATE PARK** offers hiking, birding, beachcombing, swimming, fishing, canoeing and kayaking along with nine historic buildings. Located at 23937 Panama City Beach Parkway (U.S. 98), 12 miles east of 331, seven miles west of Highway 79. 850-233-5059.

**CESSNA BAY** Picnic tables, parking, rest rooms and boat access. 1476 N. CR-393.

**CLEMENT E. TAYLOR CITY PARK** This park is named after one of Destin's early settlers and is on Choctawhatchee Bay. Chock full of shade trees, there are picnic areas and restrooms, but no camping. Destin, off Calhoun Avenue.

**DUNE ALLEN** In Dune Allen beach this access has parking, but no bathrooms, showers or picnic area. 5753 Hwy 30-A W., Santa Rosa Beach.

**ED WALLINE** A large public beach access in South Walton, providing handicapped parking, picnic tables, restrooms and showers. Intersection of Hwy 30-A and CR-393.

**EDEN GARDENS STATE PARK** An historic homestead under majestic, moss-draped oaks with a home surrounded by lawns and seasonal gardens. Tours of the home are Thursday through Monday hourly beginning at 10 AM with the last tour at 3 PM. The park and picnic areas are open daily from 8 AM to sunset and located on CR-395 north off Hwy 98 in Point Washington. Call 850-231-4214 for more information.

**GRAYTON BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA** Camping, picnics, hiking, swimming, saltwater fishing, and boating. Showers and electricity are part of the amenities. Access from S. Hwy. 30-A, South Walton, 850-267-8300.

**GRAYTON DUNES** Handicapped and public parking plus beach access. Behind the Red Bar in Grayton Beach.

**GULF SHORE MANOR** Public restrooms, handicapped and public parking. 3468 E. Hwy 30-A, Seagrove Beach.

**GULFVIEW HEIGHTS** Located at the end of Gulfview Heights St, behind Goatfeather's restaurant, this access offers parking, picnic areas and restrooms.

**HENDERSON BEACH STATE PARK** This park has it all: camping, swimming area sheltered picnic areas, grills, and restrooms. But there is no boat ramp and jet skis and other personal watercraft are prohibited. 17000 Hwy. 98W, Destin, 850-837-7550.

**INLET BEACH** This area offers handicapped and public parking, restrooms and dune walkovers to the beach. 438 S. Orange St. in Inlet Beach.

**LEGION BAY** Picnic tables, public parking, boat ramp and restrooms. Intersection of Ponce de Leon and Crest Dr, 191 Crest Dr, Sandestin.

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# Summer Reading Heats Up

By Samantha Lambert

A great book should leave you with many experiences, and slightly exhausted at the end. You live several lives while reading.

- William Styron

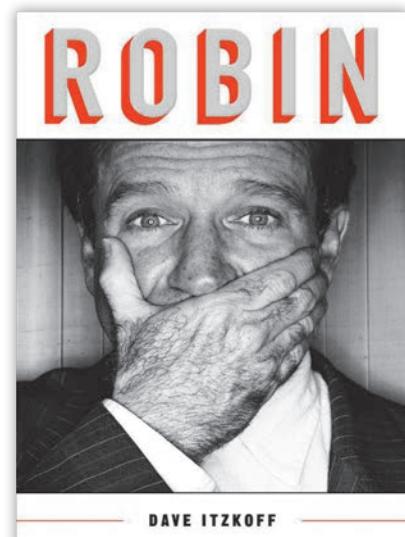
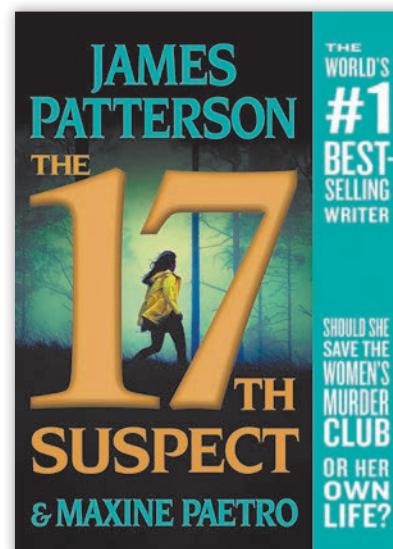
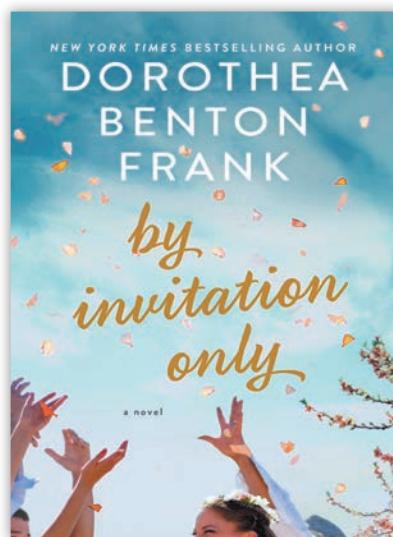
**When people are** packing up for a vacation to the Emerald Coast, they include books for the beach. When locals are heading out to relax for a day on the beach, they pack a book in their bag. When traveling on a plane or in a car during the summer, people pack a book or two. Popular reads for the summer of 2018 are heating up.

According to *The New York Times* Bestsellers list for June in the Combined Print and E-Book Fiction category, top summer books include *The Cast* by Danielle Steel, *The 17th Suspect* by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro, *By Invitation Only* by Dorothea Benton Frank, *The Fallen* by David Baldacci, and *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah.

Top nonfiction books include *How to Change Your Mind* by Michael Pollan, *The Soul of America* by Jon Meacham, *A Higher Loyalty* by James Comey, Zora Neale Hurston's previously unpublished *Barcoon*, and Dave Itzkoff's Robin Williams biography *Robin*.

Locally, at the Destin Library, interim director **Kitti Capps** says the Patterson/Paetro, Baldacci and Hannah books are among the most popular adult fiction titles, along with Lisa Scottoline's *After Anna*. Top nonfiction books include Robert Hilburn's *Paul Simon, the Life* and Ronan Farrow's *War on Peace*.

"For young adults, the graphic novels are popular," says Capps. According to Merriam-Webster Dictionary, a graphic novel is a story that is presented in comic-strip format and published as a book. The Amulet series by Kazu Kibuishi and *Big Nate* by Lincoln Peirce are very popular right now.



For children, the classics are still popular—Dr. Seuss, the Berenstain Bears, Curious George. Call the library at 850-837-8572 for more information about their *Libraries Rock!* summer reading program.

Fort Walton Beach Library manager **Tricia Gould** includes Tayari Jones' *An American Marriage* (an Oprah Book Club selection) among the most in-demand titles, along with *Educated* by Tara Westover, *Us Against You* by Fredrik Backman, *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng, and Lisa Wingate's follow-up to *Beartown*, *Before We Were Yours*. "Danielle Steel and Dorothea Benton Frank novels are also popular," she says.

Gould also notes that graphic novels are popular with the library's young adult patrons—titles based on *Game of Thrones* and *The Walking Dead* in particular.

A summer reading program for children is going on at the Fort Walton Beach Library, along with "Animal Tales" educational programs. A new media lab is open to the public, too. Call 850-833-9590 for more information.

**Linda Thompson** of the Walton County Coastal Branch Library says, "Many of the adult fiction and nonfiction novels that are listed on the *New York Times* bestseller list are popular here, including books by Dorothea Benton Frank, Danielle Steel, and James Patterson." Other popular titles include *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi and Celeste Ng's *Little Fires Everywhere*.

Young people are checking out Ernest Cline's *Ready Player One*—the source material for Steven Spielberg's recent film—and the Harry Potter series. For early readers, the Billie B Brown and Hey Jack series—both by Sally Rippin—are in demand. The library has its own *Libraries Rock!* summer reading club every Monday in June at 10 AM. There is also a Young Writers Club for students in grades 3-8 Tuesdays at 1:30 PM in June and July. Call 850-267-2809 for more information.

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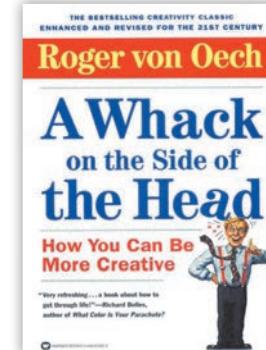
THURSDAY, JUNE 21

ARTS & DESIGN SOCIETY BOOK STUDY/DISCUSSION GROUP

Art Center Gallery, Fort Walton Beach, 5-6 PM

[ArtsDesignSociety.org](http://ArtsDesignSociety.org)

The current discussion is on Roger von Oech's *A Whack on the Side of the Head: How You Can Be More Creative*.



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## Upcoming Books

### JUNE 19

- Cara Black, *Murder on the Left Bank*  
 Katharine Dion, *The Dependents*  
 Rory Feek, *Once Upon a Farm: Lessons on Growing Love, Life, and Hope on a New Frontier*  
 Megan Flaherty, *Tango Lessons: A Memoir*  
 Elin Hilderbrand, *The Perfect Couple*  
 Abdi Nor Iftin, *Call Me American: A Memoir*  
 Caroline Kepnes, *Providence*  
 Lillian Li, *Number One Chinese Restaurant*  
 Joel Selvin, *Fare Thee Well: The Final Chapter of the Grateful Dead's Long, Strange Trip*  
 Paul Tremblay, *The Cabin at the End of the World*  
 Zachary Wood, *Uncensored: My Life and Uncomfortable Conversations at the Intersection of Black and White America*

### JUNE 21

- Steve Lukather with Paul Rees, *The Gospel According to Luke*

### JUNE 26

- Alice Bolin, *Dead Girls: Essays on Surviving an American Obsession*  
 Emma Brockes, *An Excellent Choice: Panic and Joy on My Solo Path to Motherhood*  
 Barbara Delinsky, *Before and Again*  
 Emily Giffin, *All We Ever Wanted*  
 Glen David Gold, *I Will Be Complete*  
 Joanna Luloff, *Remind Me Again What Happened*  
 Alissa Quart, *Squeezed: Why Our Families Can't Afford America*  
 Mike Stanton, *Unbeaten: Rocky Marciano's Fight for Perfection in a Crooked World*  
 Helen Thomson, *Unthinkable: An Extraordinary Journey Through the World's Strangest Brains*  
 Thrity Umrigar, *The Secrets Between Us*  
 Edmund White, *The Unpunished Vice: A Life of Reading*

Source: netgalley.com, pauseandplay.com

## Recommended Reading

### Mark Kurlansky

*Milk! A 10,000-Year Food Fracas*

Bloomsbury Publishing

Mark Kurlansky has the enviable ability to take a single item—salt, cod, oysters, milk, or paper—plug it into a human context, and produce entertaining and thought-provoking history. *Milk!* is part anthropology, part economics, with a dash of politics and even a stock of recipes—most of which look impossible to follow (medieval weights and measures, anyone?). Subjects include nursing (and the breast vs. bottle debate), lactose-intolerance (the natural state for most humans, he notes), and characteristics of different animal milks. Butter, yogurt, cheese, and ice cream get covered, along with less common milk by-products like *skyr* and *kumis*.

- Bruce Collier



## Movies + TV

### OPENING SOON IN THEATERS

#### JUNE 13

*One Last Thing.* Wendell Pierce, Jurnee Smollett-Bell.  
*Superfly.* Remake of the '70s blaxploitation classic.

#### JUNE 15

*Incredibles 2.* The superhero family is back, along with original director Brad Bird.  
*Tag.* Brian Dennehy, Hannibal Buress, Isla Fisher, Jon Hamm, Nora Dunn, Ed Helms, Rashida Jones, Jeremy Renner.

#### JUNE 22

*Sicario: Day of the Soldado.* Josh Brolin, Benicio Del Toro, Catherine Keener, Matthew Modine.

Source: metacritic.com

### UPCOMING DVD/BLU-RAY/VOD RELEASES

#### JUNE 15

*Goliath.* Billy Bob Thornton's down-and-out lawyer returns for a second season on Amazon.  
*Set It Up.* A Netflix original movie.

#### JUNE 19

*The Death of Stalin.* Acclaimed comedic take on 1950s Russia.  
*Double Lover.* Francois Ozon's acclaimed erotic thriller.  
*Pacific Rim: Uprising.* Rinko Kikuchi, Scott Eastwood.  
*Unsane.* Steven Soderbergh's latest thriller was shot entirely on an iPhone. Watch it on your iPhone.

#### JUNE 26

*The Endless.* Aaron Moorhead and Justin Benson star and direct in this story of two brothers who return to the cult they left behind 10 years earlier.  
*Terminal.* Margot Robbie, Simon Pegg.  
*Tyler Perry's Acrimony.* Taraji P. Henson, Lyriq Bent.

Sources: Pauseandplay.com

### LOCAL FILM SCREENINGS

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 19

##### "HUNT FOR THE WILDERPEOPLE"

Destin Library, 2 PM  
 850-837-8572

A national manhunt is ordered for a rebellious kid and his foster uncle when they go missing in the wild New Zealand bush. FREE screening presented by the Friends Guild of the Destin Library, Inc. Films in the series are generally unrated and intended for mature audiences.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 23

##### "JUSTICE LEAGUE"

Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach, 7:30 PM or Dark (Whichever Comes First)

[UptownStation.com](http://UptownStation.com)

Bring blankets and chairs and re-live the old time drive-in movie experience. FREE.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

##### "A BUG'S LIFE"

Camp Helen State Park, Panama City Beach, 5:30 PM  
 850-233-5058

Fifth annual Movies & More in the park's Recreation Hall features a program led by a park ranger or other expert. The program is followed by an old-fashioned campfire cookout with hot dogs and s'mores provided by the Friends of Camp Helen. Admission is FREE, but donations will be accepted.

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	Moon	<b>5%</b>	Low <b>11:51pm</b>
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	Sunset	<b>7:50pm</b>	High <b>1:22pm</b>
	Moon	<b>12%</b>	
<b>6.18</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:44am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:51pm</b>	Low <b>12:33am</b>
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	Sunset	<b>7:51pm</b>	Low <b>12:59am</b>
	Moon	<b>32%</b>	High <b>2:44pm</b>
<b>6.20</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:44am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:51pm</b>	Low <b>1:03am</b>
	Moon	<b>43%</b>	High <b>12:09pm</b>
<b>6.21</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:45am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:51pm</b>	Low <b>12:32am</b>
	Moon	<b>54%</b>	Low <b>10:37pm</b>
<b>6.22</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:45am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:51pm</b>	Low <b>8:02am</b>
	Moon	<b>64%</b>	High <b>6:02pm</b>
<b>6.23</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:45am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:52pm</b>	High <b>8:02am</b>
	Moon	<b>74%</b>	Low <b>6:29pm</b>
<b>6.24</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:45am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:52pm</b>	High <b>8:20am</b>
	Moon	<b>82%</b>	Low <b>7:05pm</b>
<b>6.25</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:46am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:52pm</b>	High <b>8:48am</b>
	Moon	<b>89%</b>	Low <b>7:45pm</b>
<b>6.26</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:46am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:52pm</b>	High <b>9:20am</b>
	Moon	<b>94%</b>	Low <b>8:25pm</b>
<b>6.27</b>	Sunrise	<b>5:46am</b>	TIDES
	Sunset	<b>7:52pm</b>	High <b>9:56am</b>
	Moon	<b>98%</b>	Low <b>9:06pm</b>

# Stage > Upcoming Shows

## THURSDAY, JUNE 14

### AWKWARD OXEN IMPROV

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 15

### "THE MARVELOUS MANHATTAN COMEDY CLUB"

560 Grand Boulevard Upstairs, Miramar Beach, Cocktails at 6:30 PM, Show at 8 PM

[ECTheatre.org](#)

A benefit for Emerald Coast Theatre

**Company**, starring comedians Lace Larrabee and Heather Tolley-Bauer, with musical guests The Village Belles. Plus—wine and bourbon tastings, chef-prepared nibbles and bites, chocolate fondue and bubbly. Tickets are \$50, \$65 for VIP seating.

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## MONDAY, JUNE 18

### "ADVENTURES IN ALYS" STORYTELLING

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

### PIRATE SHOW WITH CAPT. DAVY AND THE CROSSBONES CREW

Al's Beach Club and Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM

[AlsBeachClub.com](#)

Fun for the whole family.

### "THE PRINCE AND THE PAUPER"

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 6:30 PM

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### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

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## TUESDAY, JUNE 19

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

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FREE.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

### "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"

North Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach, 6:30 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

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## THURSDAY, JUNE 21

### AWKWARD OXEN IMPROV

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 22

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## MONDAY, JUNE 25

### "ADVENTURES IN ALYS" STORYTELLING

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

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### PIRATE SHOW WITH CAPT. DAVY AND THE CROSSBONES CREW

Al's Beach Club and Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM

[AlsBeachClub.com](#)

### "THE PRINCE AND THE PAUPER"

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 6:30 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 26

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

### "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"

North Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach, 6:30 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 28

### ACT4MYSTERY

La Paz, Destin, Seating at 7 PM

[Act4Mystery.com](#)

The award-winning whodunit troupe kicks off weekly summer performances, with a different show every week. Cost is \$34.95 for the dinner and show, and you can make your reservations online. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for more info.

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 29

### STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

[LoveTheREP.com](#)

FREE.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 30

### ACT4MYSTERY

Samuel's Roadhouse, Crestview, Seating at 6 PM

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In *Horsin' Around with Murder*, Paula Hilton and the gang take on equestrian competition and the behind-the-scenes drama (and comedy). Cost is \$38 and includes dinner, show, tax and tip. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for more info. With **Cynthia Bergquist, Sally Whitesell, Jim Downum, Susan DeJesus** and Beachcomber's own **Chris Manson**.

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# Summer Wines from the Loire

By Bruce Collier

**The Loire region** takes its name from the Loire River, the longest river in France. The Loire Valley is probably most famous for its castles (chateaux), whose images grace many a calendar and jigsaw puzzle.

The Loire is also known for its wines, particularly the whites. Summer is the ideal time to explore some of these. They're easy to find, reasonably priced, and pair well with fish, shellfish, lighter meats, and cheese. Red wine is also made in the Loire, and it's worth your time. Some very fine rose and sparkling wines are made in the Loire, but they're for another day.

The grapes traditionally grown for winemaking in the Loire are Chenin Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc, Melon de Bourgogne, Cabernet Franc, Gamay, Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Folle Blanche, Arbois, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Grolleau. The ones most frequently used are the first four.

For this article, I sampled three representative white wines (served chilled), and one red (served at A/C room temperature). All are available locally.

## WHITE WINE

**Moncontour Vouvray (2016) Demi Sec \$14.99**

12% Alcohol by Volume (ABV)  
All Chenin Blanc. In the glass, very pale yellow, faint greenish tinge. The nose is fresh-cut pineapple, honey, slightly musty scent. Next is a little spice, fruit cocktail, herbs, grass, and rainwater. On the first sip, pineapple and star fruit flavor, somewhat viscous on the tongue. It's sweeter than expected at first, then follows tart dried peach and apricot, with a honey and lemon drop finish.

**Domaine le Clef du Recit (2016)**

Sancerre  
\$19.99  
13% ABV

Sauvignon Blanc. Very light and pale straw color. Scent is floral and spicy, with Granny Smith apple peel. Dry, chalky, citrusy taste; almost—but not quite—fizzy and peppery on the tongue to start. Apple peel lingers on the finish. There's little if any sweetness. It's austere but refreshing, puckery. I drank this with slow-roasted (dark meat) chicken and potatoes. It's a

good counterpoint for buttery, herb seasoned meat and potatoes.

## Chauviniere Muscadet sur Lie (2016)

\$9.89  
12% ABV

Grapes are all Melon de Bourgogne. "Sur lie" means "on the lees." Lees are deposits of dead yeast or residual yeast and other particles that precipitate to the bottom of a vat of wine after fermentation and aging. Normally wine is "racked," a process that leaves the lees behind. This Muscadet was aged for a time on the lees, imparting a yeasty aroma and taste.

The wine has a very pale, lemony yellow color. There's definitely a yeasty aroma, though it's dry and subtle. The taste is likewise mild and austere. There's a chalky finish, with grapefruit pith and peel, lemon juice, grassy notes, and a tiny fermented-yeast, beery snap at the tail end. No sweetness here, and a light body. Muscadet is the proverbial accompaniment to raw oysters, which makes sense when you consider that many French (and other European) oysters tend to be rather oily, with a nutty or metallic taste.

I was all out of French oysters, but I did have a tin of "vintage sardines" (2012) from Paris. This is an old French tradition—aging lightly smoked sardines in good olive oil for years, sometimes decades, turning the cans over every six months for maximum effect. The object is for the fish to absorb and be mellowed by the oil. I served them on rye bread with unsalted butter and coarse salt, with Gruyere cheese on the side. Gruyere and Muscadet tastes like a deconstructed fondue. The sardines are deeply rich, oily but smooth. The sharp white wine was a perfect balance to the sardines and butter.

## RED WINE

**Chateau de Coulaine Chinon (2016)**

\$16.99  
13% ABV

All Cabernet Franc grape. Dark reddish-black color in the glass, with a cherry/berry pie filling, almond extract scent. The taste is cranberry, jammy, with a slightly thin body, and a quick finish. More time in the glass yielded bell pepper, peppercorn, anise, dry licorice or fennel. I drank it with beef stroganoff (not exactly summer fare) and it paired beautifully with the rich beef, cream and noodles, rounding out



the dish. Chinon would be an ideal match for steak, hamburgers, and sausages, including those with creamy or rich sauces or garnishes. At the price, it could become a go-to wine for grilling out.

The wines were all good on their own, but to be truly appreciated, all need to be tasted with food. It's like fitting puzzle pieces together—you get a bigger piece of the picture. The Loire can be very picturesque.

## Get Your Flip-Flops – and FREE Smoothie – on Friday, June 15

**The Tropical Smoothie Café** in Destin's City Market Bayside shopping center hosts National Flip Flop Day in support of Camp Sunshine and customer appreciation Friday, **June 15**, from 2 to 7 PM.

Every customer that comes by wearing flip-flops will receive a FREE Sunshine Smoothie. Tropical Smoothie hopes to raise \$2,500 at each location to cover the cost to

send one family to Camp Sunshine. For donations over \$5, customers will receive a Tropical Smoothie keychain that provides them with 5 percent off their purchase at any store location nationwide.

There will be music and lawn games outside, including jumbo Jenga and jumbo Connect Four. Beachcomber favorite **Capt. Davy** will also be on hand making balloon animals.

- Meagan Atwood

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### ASIAN

**LIN'S ASIAN CUISINE** Enjoy carefully prepared and artfully served Chinese and Southeast Asian dishes in a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere. Chicken, beef, pork, duck, fish and shellfish are cooked to suit most tastes, and Lin's offers your favorites—General Tso's chicken, Mongolian beef, pad thai, lo mein and kung pao, among many others. Beer and wine. \$2-15. 130 Scenic Gulf Dr. #5B, Miramar Beach, 850-424-5888.

### BAKERIES

**CAKEMASTER'S BAKERY II** Quality baked goods since 1971, made from scratch on the premises by a fourth generation baker. Decorated cakes for all occasions. New Sweet Expressions cake collection. Breakfast pastries—Danish (cheese, pecan, fruit), assorted coffee cakes, cinnamon rolls, crumb cake, strudel, bienstich, pecan crispies. Delicious delights—brownies, ragulah, cream fingers, biscotti, cookies (wedding, sugar, chocolate chip, raisin, fruit bars, holiday) and more. Refrigerated desserts—éclairs, Boston cream pie, cheesecake, black forest cake, Italian rum cake, Napoleon, French creampuffs and more. Come on by and see us. 105 Beach Drive Suite A-3, Fort Walton Beach (behind Pizza Hut on Racetrack Road), 850-862-4911. Closed Mondays.

### BARBEQUE

**LILLIE'S Q** Award-winning on the national level barbecue restaurant located at 9848 Hwy. 98 W., Miramar Beach, approximately seven miles east of the Mid Bay Bridge. We offer barbecue that represents all areas of the U.S., such as pulled pork, baby back ribs, smoked chicken breast and beef tri-tip (sliced sirloin). All meat products are slow smoked using natural wood and lump charcoal. Seven sauce choices with delicious side orders and the best banana pudding in the Panhandle. We offer a wrap around porch. No inside seating. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 AM-6 PM Call ahead orders welcomed! 850-654-3911.

### BREAKFAST & MORE

**ASIAGO'S SKILLET** There's no place like it. Open daily from midnight till noon. Try your hand at our one-of-a-kind Crab Cake Benny, mouth watering Bananas Foster French Toast or our classic American Breakfast. We've got something for everyone. Plus, don't miss out on our Build Your Own Bloody Mary Bar, complete with infused vodkas, every weekend. Truly breakfast at its best. 110 Amberjack Drive, Okaloosa Island, 850-586-7998. New location in Destin! 300 Harbor Blvd., 850-424-4160. [www.facebook.com/asiago.skillet](http://www.facebook.com/asiago.skillet).

**BLUE COLLAR CAFE** Made to order breakfast and lunch served all day. House made bagels. Full coffee bar with Maas coffee and espresso roasted at the cafe. Home of the famous BOB (breakfast on a bagel) and New York style lox and house-mixed cream cheese. Salads and sides, homemade scones and sweets. Open Mon.-Fri., 7:30 AM-2:30 PM; Saturdays, 8 AM-2 PM 104 Hollywood Blvd. SW, Fort Walton Beach.

**CAMILLE'S CAFE** Start your day with coffee and breakfast. We feature fluffy eggs, cinnamon rolls, apple pie muffins, fresh juice and smoothies. For lunch, enjoy our fresh caught tuna salad on an Asiago cheese bagel, Sriracha turkey sandwich or Mediterranean chicken salad sandwich. Plus all day Bloody Marys, mimosas, beer, and daiquiris made with fresh-squeezed juice. Join our party! 2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin, 850-337-8860.

**THE LOCAL MARKET** Open 7 AM-3 PM daily. Fresh pressed juices, coffee, breakfast, gourmet sandwiches, homemade ice cream and more. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-460-8979.

**THE PANCAKERY** Serving breakfast and lunch daily from 7 AM - 2 PM. Featuring build your own pancakes and omelettes! Waffles, French Toast, crepes, benedicts, bananas foster and all traditional breakfast items. Also, lunch menu includes sandwiches, burgers, salads, wraps, and loaded potatoes. Now serving bloody marys, mimosas and cold beer. 960 Hwy 98 East, Suite 104, Destin. 850-269-0791.

**TOMMY MATTONIE'S** Looking for upscale breakfast options? We offer 13 different Eggs Benedict and numerous specialty waffles. Trip Advisor honored us with a Certificate of Excellence for 2015. Our list of New Orleans style po-boys for lunch is just as extensive as the Eggs Benedict selections. We serve only local fresh bay shrimp and offer some of the best slow smoked BBQ in FWB. We also serve salads, Floribbean tacos, soups and daily specials. Check Facebook for our daily specials. Open 6 AM to 2 PM every day except Mondays. Located at 723 Eglin Parkway NE in FWB near the Shalimar Bridge. 850-862-0895. [www.tommymattonies.com](http://www.tommymattonies.com).

### BURGERS

**AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-4100. [ALSBEACHCLUB.COM](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM)

**CHARLIE'S BURGER BAR** Burgers, bourbon and beer. Pick from 18 burgers or build your own. Over 50 beers and bourbons, Funky French fries, milk shakes for all ages. Located at 2 Harbor Blvd. in HarborWalk Village's Crab Island Cantina Complex, Destin, 850-424-7695.

### CASUAL DINING

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

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## CONTEMPORARY

**LOUIS LOUIS** Louis Louis is another dining hit. This "sister" restaurant to the famous Red Bar offers a short but all-star menu of fish, chicken, pork, crab cakes and pasta entrees, served in fat portions by a friendly staff. Do whatever you have to do, but don't skip dessert. Colorful décor, comfy tables, full bar, \$5-25. 35 Mussett Bayou Rd., Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-1500.

## DINNER & A SHOW

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** If you're looking for something different in town for the whole family, come enjoy Graffiti & The Funky Blues Shack. We've been around for 20-plus years doing what we do best – FOOD + MUSIC! Our dishes are tried and true and are sure to satisfy everyone in your group. Our menu showcases a little bit of everything. We offer some of the best gourmet pizzas and pastas in town. We also prepare fresh caught Gulf seafood and perfectly grilled filets. Vegetarian? No worries, we've got you covered, too. While enjoying your delectable meal, you will also experience listening or boogieing to some of the best local and out-of-town talent. We have Jazz Jams, Blues Jams, and everything in between. We weren't voted Best Live Music Venue three years in a row for nothing! Summer music schedule is seven days a week—Sun.-Thu., 7-10 PM and Sat. and Sun., 8 PM until... We have a full bar and offer an early Happy Hour from 4 to 7 PM, as well as a late night Happy Hour (check website for time). Located at 34902 Emerald Coast Parkway in Destin. For reservations, call 850-424-6650. Full menu and music schedule at [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com).

**REDD'S FUELING STATION** a/k/a Redd's Pub N Song, specializes in great food and music. The menu is simple but delicious, including slow cooked beef brisket, sweet and spicy babybacks and fried green tomato BLTs. **Redd the Singing Bartender** sings as she bartends, hosts and serves on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays—customers can participate by requesting songs for tips. Redd offers over 350 songs to choose from. Wednesday is Open Mic Night, the longest running open mic on 30A with musicians of all levels and ages welcome. We have the sound system, you bring your instrument and your talent. Friday nights are live music. Redd likes to promote local musicians and several popular local bands had their first gigs here, including the Luke Langford Band and Mose Wilson and the Delta Twang. Dinner reservations for four or more are highly recommended. Located at 2320 West County Highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Call 850-325-0252 for information and reservations. Visit [www.redsfuel.com](http://www.redsfuel.com) and find **Redd's Pub N Song** on Facebook.

## ECLECTIC

**CAFÉ THIRTY-A** Cafe Thirty-A has been here a while. Finding out why can be a delicious experience. A nightly-changing menu offers steaks, chicken, pork, lamb, and local seafood elegantly prepared with imaginative sauces and sides, courteously served in a beautiful beach-house atmosphere. Lobster bisque, stone crab claws, seasonal fish and shellfish, and wood oven-baked pizzas. Full bar. \$8-36. 3899 E. Scenic Highway 30-A, Seagrove Beach, 850-231-2166.

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

**THE RED BAR** The place to go—and say you went—in Grayton Beach. The Red Bar offers breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a short but

expertly prepared menu of sandwiches, soup and salads for lunch, chicken, local fish, pasta and crab cakes for dinner. The apple dumpling will haunt you, in a good way. Live music, and more local color than you'll know what to do with. Full bar, \$4-21. 70 Hotz Avenue, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008. [www.theredbar.com](http://www.theredbar.com).

## GERMAN/AMERICAN

**FOKKERS PUB** German sausages and homemade schnitzels go great with German beer! Brick oven pizza, grilled or fried wings, burgers, sandwiches and salad bar – there's something for everyone! Live music Wednesdays and Fridays. Located at 215 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE Unit #1 in Downtown Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-6666.

## HEALTHY DINING

**GEORGE'S AT ALYS BEACH** Established in 2008, George's has offered regional coastal fare infused with global flavors to the quaint town of Alys Beach. We craft all of our dishes using locally sourced organic produce and the freshest seafood available, and present each with a generous helping of love. Our dishes fall into two categories—Behave and Misbehave. The Behave section features organic, spa-inspired dishes, while the Misbehave side touts traditional beach fare like fried seafood baskets and po-boys. The menu is rounded out with a thoughtfully curated wine list and a selection of decadent desserts. Our charming beach cottage provides the perfect backdrop for a casual dinner with friends and family. Dine indoors in our airy yet cozy dining room, or soak in the beautiful Florida sunshine on our front deck or screened porches. Open 11 AM-3 PM and 5-9 PM 30 Castle Harbour Dr., Panama City Beach, 850-641-0017, [georgesatalysbeach.net](http://georgesatalysbeach.net).

## ITALIAN

**CIAO ITALIA BISTRO** Dine inside or outside at Guglielmo Ianni's latest bistro. The big menu offers classic Italian appetizers like bruschetta, caprese and calamari, and a range of pasta, chicken, meat, fish and shellfish entrees—puttanesca, Bolognese, parmigiana, pescatore, and some house originals. Daily specials, family dining options, comfortable atmosphere and friendly service. Full bar. Open Monday through Saturday, 5-10 PM 985 U.S. 98 East, Suite F, Destin, 850-842-4677.

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

**TUSCANY ITALIAN BISTRO** Authentic Italian cuisine includes pasta, freshest seafood, tender veal and more. A true taste of Italy—beautiful Italian decor with handpainted murals. Live Entertainment by Eclipse (Don and Amanda), Special Happy Hour from 5 to 8 PM 36178 Emerald Coast Pkwy. Next to City Market in Destin. 850-650-2451.

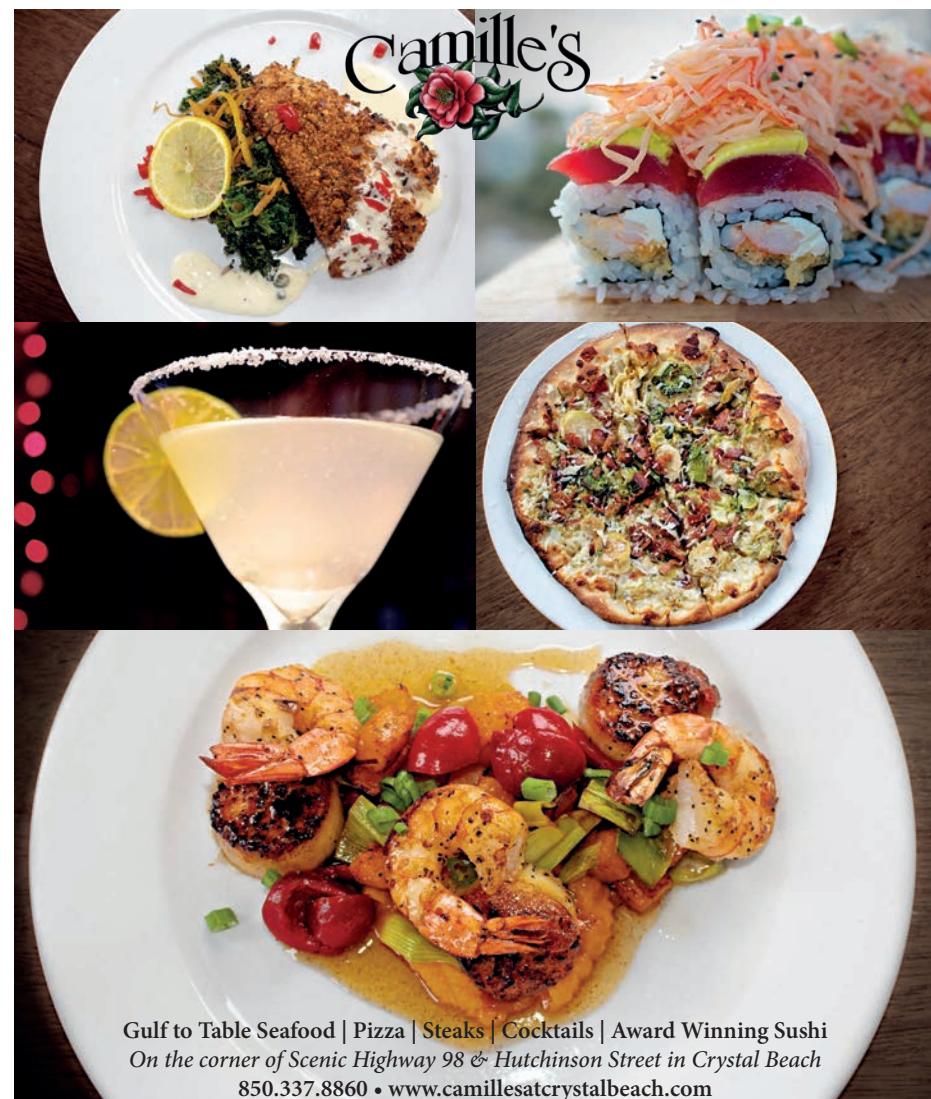
## LATIN / MEXICAN

**BUD & ALLEY'S TACO BAR** Shake the sand off your feet, choose a colorful table, and get ready to experience South of the Border favorites, Florida-style. Baja Fish tacos, homemade guacamole, burritos, top shelf margaritas, and ice cold cerveza hit the spot for lunch or dinner. Open daily, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-4781. [BudAndAlleys.com](http://BudAndAlleys.com).

**CRAB ISLAND CANTINA** Traditional and not so traditional Mexican and Latin food,



The poster for AJ's Street Party Summer Concert Series features a pink and orange background with a decorative border. At the top, it says "AJ's STREET PARTY SUMMER CONCERT SERIES". Below that, a banner reads "FEATURING". Two circular images show groups of people: one for June 19th and one for June 26th. Below the circles, text reads "RUMORS: A FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE" and "THE ULTIMATE KING OF POP TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL JACKSON". Further down, it says "THE PARTY CONTINUES ALL SUMMER LONG!" followed by a list of performances: "JULY 3 THE CLEVERLYS", "JULY 10 ELECTRIC AVENUE: THE 80'S MTV EXPERIENCE", "JULY 17 MOCK OF AGES: A TRIBUTE TO DEF LEPPARD", and "JULY 24 THE PURPLE MADNESS: PRINCE TRIBUTE SHOW". A final banner at the bottom right says "...AND MORE!". The poster is presented by Beachcomber, Ocean Reef Vacation Rentals & Real Estate, and The Menu Mag.



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# Inaugural Hog Bash Set for June 19 in PCB

**On Tuesday, June 19,** Back Beach Barbecue commemorates its one-year anniversary with the inaugural **Hog Bash.** From 2 to 9 PM, guests are invited to enjoy two whole hog roasts, live music by **Kevin Melvin**, giveaways, and refreshments provided by local breweries Grayton Beer Company and Idyll Hounds. Proceeds from the afternoon will benefit South Walton Academy.

Back Beach Barbecue opened its doors in June 2017 and is owned and operated by Danny and Monica Cosenzi, the duo behind the famed Restaurant Paradis located in Rosemary Beach. Since opening, Back Beach Barbecue has served locals and visitors alike from their simple yet refined menu of slow-cooked meats, homemade sides and sauces, as well as gluten-free options.

Back Beach Barbecue has partnered with Restaurant Paradis—along

with Buddy's Seafood, Grayton Beer Company, and Idyll Hounds Brewing Company—for the event. Each sponsor will provide food, refreshments, and various raffle prizes. Every attendee will be entered into the raffle upon arrival, and winners will be announced throughout the day.

Back Beach Barbecue will donate a portion of the proceeds to **South Walton Academy**, a private, nonprofit inclusion school in Santa Rosa Beach. The school serves all children up to the 6th grade while working to bridge the gap between communication and children with Autism.

For \$15, guests will receive a plate filled with pulled pork, barbecue baked beans, and coleslaw. Back Beach will be roasting two whole pigs beginning at 2 PM, and Mr. Melvin performs from 5 to 8 PM.

- Jessica Proffitt

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featuring snapper enchiladas, grouper tacos, and award-winning seafood chorizo gumbo. Great selection of seafood dishes and Black Angus steaks, and all are big portions so make sure you're hungry. Spacious dining area, multiple bars, even a fountain, plus the view of Destin Bridge and the East Pass. Full bar, wide choice of margaritas and beers, \$4-28, HarborWalk Village, Destin, inside the Crab Island Cantina Complex. 850-424-7417. [www.crabislandcantina.com](http://www.crabislandcantina.com).

**LA COCINA MEXICAN GRILL & BAR** Since 2009, La Cocina has served traditional Tex-Mex fare with a coastal twist in a fun, festive atmosphere. We prepare all of our dishes from scratch using the freshest ingredients available. La Cocina is nestled between Rosemary Beach and Alys Beach in Seacrest Beach. Menu highlights include Tacos de Camerones with grilled shrimp, shredded lettuce, habanero pickled onions and feta cheese; the Pollo Fundido with shredded chicken and sour cream (chimichanga style) topped with cheese; and the Lobster Quesadilla with lobster, crab, shrimp and cheese topped with chipotle aioli and fruit salsa. Saturdays and Sundays, enjoy \$7 specialty cocktails during football season. Open 11 AM-3 PM and 5-9 PM 10343 East CR-30A, Panama City Beach, 850-231-4021, [lacocina30a.net](http://lacocina30a.net).

**LA PAZ** offers just about anything you'd want from a Mexican-Southwestern kitchen, including tamales, tacos, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas and quesadillas, plus a thoughtfully prepared list of grilled local fish and shellfish and imaginative spins on classics. Daily dinner specials, full bar. \$15-25. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-837-2247. [www.lapazdestin.com](http://www.lapazdestin.com).

**PEPITO'S MEXICAN GRILL** An enormous menu, plenty of room, and a friendly staff make Pepito's a good bet for a Mexican snack or feast. Traditional and unusual fare includes carnitas, enchiladas, fajitas, vegetarian dishes, steaks and seafood specialties. \$4-19. 757 Harbor Blvd, Destin, 650-7734. Additional locations in Bluewater Bay and Fort Walton Beach. [www.mypepitos.com](http://www.mypepitos.com).

**ROCKIN TACOS GRILL & TEQUILA BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-8226. [ROCKINTACOS.COM](http://ROCKINTACOS.COM)

### PIZZA & PASTA

**BUD & ALLEY'S PIZZA BAR + TRATTORIA** Savor artisan cheese, fresh salad, antipasto dishes, homemade soups, seasonal vegetables, hearty pastas and wood-fired pizza. Experience these authentic flavors in the courtyard, fireside at the bar, or on the veranda overlooking the Gulf. Open daily for lunch and dinner, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-3113. [BudAndAlleysPizzaBar.com](http://BudAndAlleysPizzaBar.com).

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

**MELLOW MUSHROOM PIZZA BAKERY** Widely, wildly assorted menu of stone baked pizzas, hoagies, calzones, salads, and specialty items. Pizzas traditional and exotic include pesto, jerk chicken, gourmet white, and Magical Mystery Tour. Colorful psychedelic décor and friendly service. \$4-25. 960 Hwy 98E, Sunsations Plaza, Destin, 650-6420.

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## SEAFOOD

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**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF** A tradition since 1977, Capt. Dave's is a go-to place for the kind of seafood that made this area famous. A time-tested selection of fried, grilled, and broiled fish, shellfish, steaks and chicken, with house and seasonal specialties. Full bar. \$5-25. 3796 Scenic Hwy 98, Destin, 850-837-2627.

**THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-301-0959. [CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM](http://CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM)

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**DEWEY DESTIN'S HARBORSIDE RESTAURANT** The classics, done right. Shrimp, crab, tuna, grouper, scallops, oysters and some land-based items, served fried, grilled, or steamed in most conceivable combinations. Family-friendly, accommodating staff. Nightly specials, full bar. Open daily at 11 AM 202 Harbor Boulevard, Destin, 850-837-7525.

**DEWEY DESTIN'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT** Get fed with the real locals on Calhoun. Dine inside or out on the water, choosing from grilled and fried local fish and shellfish. Oysters, scallops, shrimp, crab, yellowfin and daily catch served in baskets, on platters or on sandwiches with gumbo, apps and salads that all go well with the laid-back setting. Beer and wine. Open daily at 11 AM 9 Calhoun Avenue, Destin, 850-837-7575.

**FLOYD'S SHRIMP HOUSE** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-243-2232. [FLOYDSSHRIMPHOUSE.COM](http://FLOYDSSHRIMPHOUSE.COM)

**GRANDE VISTA BAR & GRILL** Located in the Emerald Grande. Open daily 7 AM-9 PM for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Grande Vista Bar & Grill has delicious local seafood, signature sandwiches and mouth-watering burgers. Enjoy casual or business lunch inside or poolside overlooking the Destin Harbor. Enjoy special drink prices inside or outside at our poolside bar. The view from our pool deck is simply breathtaking. Half-priced drinks daily, 4-6 PM 10 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8100 x1550. [info@emeraldgrande.com](mailto:info@emeraldgrande.com).

**HARBOR DOCKS** on the historic Destin Harbor has been serving simply prepared Gulf to table seafood from its own market since 1979. Offering hearty breakfasts, a lunch menu featuring blue plate specials alongside authentic Thai dishes, and the area's best sushi by world famous Chef Yoshie Eddings. In addition to traditional Gulf seafood dishes, there is something for everyone. 538 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-837-2506. [harbordocks.com](http://harbordocks.com).

**HARRY T'S LIGHTHOUSE** Located in HarborWalk Village right on the beautiful Destin Harbor, Harry T's has something for all ages! With entrees ranging from fresh local seafood to our gourmet hamburgers, there's something for everyone! Voted Best

Place to Watch the Sunset four years in a row, our outside deck offers an unparalleled view of the Destin Harbor. Mega Happy Hour Mon.-Fri. 11 AM-7 PM 46 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-654-4800. [info@harryts.co](mailto:info@harryts.co).

**LOBSTER TAIL** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-833-3016. [THELOBSTERTAIL.COM](http://THELOBSTERTAIL.COM)

**OLD BAY STEAMER** Wide variety of fresh steamed seafood served in every imaginable combination. Choose from crab, shrimp, lobster, oysters, clams, mussels, and fresh catch of the day. Pasta and steak/seafood pairings also offered. Friendly, efficient service. Open daily for dinner, with full bar. \$4-27, 102 Santa Rosa Blvd., Okaloosa Island, 664-2795.

**ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK** Located on the water. The Crab Shack serves crab, shrimp, oysters, mussels, scallops and assorted local fish in an informal and family-friendly atmosphere. Crab steamer buckets, fried seafood baskets, sandwiches and po-boys, and some land-based items. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Daily specials, inside and outside dining. Full bar. \$3-45. 104 Miracle Strip Pkwy., Fort Walton Beach. 850-664-0345.

**POMPANO JOE'S** Come on in for some fun and fresh seafood with a very exciting flavor. Try our famous reggae rolls and our garlic crusted grouper! Lunch and dinner. Open daily from 11 AM 2237 Scenic Gulf Highway, Destin. Take Holiday Road South, turn right on scenic Hwy. 98, drive down about two blocks, and you'll find us on the left side. [www.pompano-joes.com](http://www.pompano-joes.com). 850-837-2224.

**SALTWATER GRILL** We provide a relaxing, casual atmosphere designed to heighten the enjoyment of our customers' dining experience. Most of our tables have entertaining views of a 25,000-gallon aquarium filled with exotic fish. Become mesmerized by the soothing sounds of **Michael Rorah**, our singing pianist, who plays Tuesday through Saturday evenings. Lobsters available for viewing and choosing at the front of the restaurant. Open 4-10 PM 1100 Hutchinson Blvd., Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739, [saltwatergrillpcb.com](http://saltwatergrillpcb.com).

**STINKY'S FISH CAMP** Seafood is king at this informal Santa Rosa Beach eatery. Oysters "all ways," crawfish pie, catfish or frog legs meuniere, and gumbo are just a few of the Louisiana-inspired dishes. Service is friendly and attentive. Open daily 11 AM to 10 PM Serving brunch on Sunday from 10 AM to 3 PM Beer, wine and live music at Stinky's Bait Shack from 6 to 9 PM 5960 Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-3053.

**THE SURF HUT** Miramar Beach, 850-460-7750. [SURFHUTDESTIN.COM](http://SURFHUTDESTIN.COM)

## STEAKS

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**SALTWATER GRILL** Open 4-10 PM 1100 Hutchinson Blvd., Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739, [saltwatergrillpcb.com](http://saltwatergrillpcb.com).

## SUSHI

**JACKACUDAS SEAFOOD & SUSHI** is a locally-owned seafood and sushi restaurant overlooking the historic Destin Harbor. The name derives from a famous fishing hole located 34 miles southwest of the Destin Harbor at 30°04.250N and 87°02.125W. Specializing in fresh, locally sourced seafood and products to provide our guests with classic Gulf Coast seafood dishes with New South culinary preparation. Open daily, 11 AM-10 PM 56 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-424-3507. [www.jackacudas.com](http://www.jackacudas.com).

## TAPAS AND WINE

**LA CREMA TAPAS AND CHOCOLATE** Spanish-inspired tapas restaurant featuring unique tapas and Spanish wines. The European vibe provides a relaxing atmosphere where we

encourage guests to share dishes, converse and enjoy Rosemary Beach living. Open 11 AM-9 PM 38 Main St., Rosemary Beach, 850-624-7282, [lacrematapas.com](http://lacrematapas.com).

## WATERFRONT DINING

### BUD & ALLEY'S WATERFRONT RESTAURANT

A pioneer of the fish- and farm-to-table movement, with an award-winning menu featuring Gulf Coast classics paired with Southern-style cuisine. The daily Sunset Celebration ritual on the Rooftop Deck overlooking the Gulf has been a tradition for more than 30 years. Open daily for breakfast (8-11 AM), lunch (11 AM-2:30 PM) and dinner (from 5 PM). Hours may vary. 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-5900. [BudAndAlleys.com](http://BudAndAlleys.com).

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If your bar isn't listed here, you need to email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com) immediately!

### CAMILLE'S AT CRYSTAL BEACH

2931 Scenic Highway 98  
Destin  
850-337-8860

**When:** 3-5 PM daily.

**Drink Specials:** Lots, including Camille's Signature Sangria. Plus a stunning view of the Gulf.

### CRAB ISLAND CANTINA

HarborWalk Village  
Destin  
850-424-7417  
**When:** Everyday from 3 to 6 PM  
**Drink Specials:** \$4 house margaritas, \$3 well drinks and house wine, \$3 Corona, Corona Light, Bud Light and Miller Lite.

### FISHHEADS

HarborWalk Village  
Destin  
**When:** 6-8 PM daily.  
**Drink Specials:** \$1 off premium drafts and Drink of the Day.

### FOKKER'S PUB

215 Miracle Strip Parkway SE Unit #1  
Fort Walton Beach  
850-244-6666  
**When:** 3-7 PM every day except Tuesday (closed).  
**Drink Specials:** \$2 domestic beers, \$3 well drinks (Jack, Jim, Bacardi, etc.), \$3 house wines, \$1 off everything else.

### GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK

34902 Emerald Coast Parkway  
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850-424-6650

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**When:** 4-7 PM daily, plus 10 PM til Late Night Happy Hour.

### GRANDE VISTA

Emerald Grande, HarborWalk Village, Destin  
850-337-8100, ext. 1550  
**When:** 4-6 PM daily.  
**Drink Specials:** All drinks half off (except bottles of wine and Drink Special of the Day), plus specially priced apps.

### HARRY T'S

HarborWalk Village  
Destin  
850-654-4800  
**When:** Mon.-Fri., 11 AM-7 PM—downstairs bar only.  
**Drink Specials:** Half off drinks.

### JACKACUDAS

HarborWalk Village  
Destin  
850-424-3507  
**When:** Monday-Friday, 3-6 PM Sushi bar and bar area only. Bonzai Wednesdays, 6 PM-close with half price sake, house wine, apps and sushi rolls.  
**Drink Specials:** Half-price hot sake carafes, house wine pours, select draft beers and



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select apps, plus \$5 California rolls, spicy crab rolls and crunch salmon rolls.

### JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE

HarborWalk Village  
Destin  
850-460-7700

**When:** Monday-Friday, 10 PM-close.

**Drink Specials:** \$3 14-ounce Bud Light or Landshark draft, \$4 Barefoot cabernet and chardonnay, \$5 "Who's to Blame" margaritas and "5 O'Clock Somewhere" cocktails.

### LA PAZ

950 Gulf Shore Drive  
Destin  
850-837-2247  
**When:** 4-6 PM daily.  
**Drink Specials:** \$5 top shelf Margaritas, FREE chips and salsa.

### SAMMY'S

1224 Santa Rosa Blvd.  
Fort Walton Beach

**When:** Early happy hour, 1-6 PM Late night happy hour, 2-4 AM Never a cover charge for escorted women, military, or restaurant-hotel-bar employees.

**Drink Specials:** Early happy hour—two for \$5 well drinks, \$10 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge. Late night happy hour—two for \$6 well drinks, \$12 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge after 3 AM

### TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ AND WINE BAR

1193B Eglin Parkway  
Shalimar  
850-651-5100  
**When:** Monday-Friday, 11 AM-7 PM  
**Drink Specials:** \$1 off all Twisted (house) wines.

# Local Nonprofit SoWal Community Chaplain Inc. Launches New Website



**SoWal Community Chaplain Emily Proctor**

**SoWal Community Chaplain Inc.**, a nonprofit initiative based in South Walton and dedicated to connecting people in the area to needed resources, is excited to announce the launch of its new website, [SoWalChaplain.org](http://SoWalChaplain.org).

"I hope this website will serve as a great landing page for those searching for support and resources in our community," says **Emily Proctor**, the SoWal Community Chaplain. "It's a perfect place to learn more about our mission and vision for the organization as well."

The SoWal Community Chaplain provides pastoral care to individuals in times of crisis and transition, and fields requests for information about community and faith-based resources from individuals, businesses, churches and nonprofits.

The Chaplain also works with these organizations and other community groups to share information, resources and ideas for community

improvement in south Walton County, often serving as a liaison and representative to the faith-based community.

"Our vision is for everyone who lives, works or vacations in South Walton to have easy access to pastoral care and community resources in a time of need," says Ms. Proctor.

Ms. Proctor, an ordained Presbyterian minister living in Santa Rosa Beach with her husband and two young children, founded the SoWal Community Chaplain after moving here and noticing all the people who struggled to find support—from those who needed resources, such as financial assistance, to those who just needed a bit of emotional support during a crisis.

After voicing her concerns aloud, she received financial backing from Joyful Blessings to cover initial expenses associated with researching if the program was feasible in South Walton County.

In February 2018, the SoWal Community Chaplain received its nonprofit 501(c)(3) status.

Now Ms. Proctor is working with Caring & Sharing of South Walton to create a partnership and eventually mold the SoWal Community Chaplain into a sustainable and permanent ministry of the organization.

"This ministry has so much potential to serve so many different community needs," she says. "From a person who just moved here and wants to get connected in the community or an employer that needs advice on how to help an employee, to someone that needs help finding financial or emotional support, anyone can benefit from utilizing the care we can provide."

For more information about the SoWal Community Chaplain, visit [SoWalChaplain.org](http://SoWalChaplain.org). Follow the SoWal Community Chaplain page on Facebook to keep up on all the latest.

- Carly Harmer

# Horroscopes

## AQUARIUS

JAN. 21 - FEB. 19



There is nothing logical or rational about the fact that YOU ARE NUMBER ONE!!! YOU WIN! You clobber everyone around you at everything you do. You are the winner of every contest. Success personified.

## TAURUS

APR. 21 - MAY 21



Friends, friends, friends. Everywhere you go, you are surrounded by friends and loved ones. You are the life of every party. Don't sleep. Don't work. Party party party.

## LEO

JULY 23 - AUG. 23



You're at your best in the heat of summer. Adopt animals. Take on foster children. Build a small village in a crummy country. You are a one-person philanthropy. You make everyone proud to be on the same earth as you.

## SCORPIO

OCT. 24 - NOV. 22



Who is a friend and who is a love partner? Hard to tell since you're so cute and cuddly. Everyone adores you. Don't get a cute puppy—that'd be too much.

## PISCES

FEB. 20 - MAR. 20



You can read minds like some people read books. This can be very annoying. Most people admire you in such ridiculous ways that it's almost embarrassing. But understandable, because you are one sterling piece of work.

## GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21



You are an expert inventor. Invent something new. It will be a huge hit and highly profitable. Then share the money with your newfound friends. When that money runs out, invent something else. What could possibly go wrong?

## VIRGO

AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23



Romance romance. Don't be picky and double your chance for a date on Friday night. You'll be like the fox in the hen house. You'll be the insatiable love machine. Dance with your partners.

## SAGITTARIUS

NOV. 23 - DEC. 21



Family members all turn to you because you are so smart and you're a natural leader. You have all the answers. You are by far the smartest person in every room you enter. Take charge.

## ARIES

MAR. 21 - APR. 20



You are either a genius or telepathic or both. Maybe just a genius. Use your skills to take risky investments, crazy bets, or just spend it on frivolous stuff. There's more where that came from. You can't lose.

## CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 22



You are a natural traveler. Learn languages. Practice archaeology. Fall in love. Or lie around drunk and take lots of naps. You are a leader! People want to follow you. Get crazy!

## LIBRA

SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23



Take ice baths and steroids. The physical stress you endure is mind-numbing. Also, take Aleve. You tote heavy stuff on your shoulders because you are like, SUPERHUMAN strong. Only without the cape. Capes are hard to pull off.

## CAPRICORN

DEC. 22 - JAN. 20



You are the great communicator. Give TED talks. Create lengthy podcasts. Everyone will want to know what you're thinking because you are so smart. And good looking.

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# FRESH SEAFOOD?



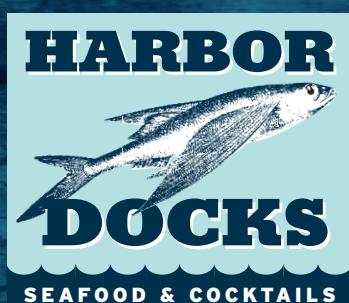
One of the first questions people ask when they visit our area is  
**"How can we be sure we're getting fresh seafood?"**

That's an excellent question. There is a good chance that the seafood you will be offered traveled farther than you did. In the state of Florida, even though we are surrounded by water, more than 90% of the seafood sold this year will be imported from other countries.

Throughout the United States, the huge majority of seafood is imported. Most of it is mislabeled. Frozen seafood is sold as "fresh" and imported seafood is sold as "local." According to Oceana, 93% of fish sold as red snapper is actually some other species. 57% of tuna sold at sushi bars throughout the country is not tuna. Most of the tilapia served in this country comes from Viet Nam and Thailand and much of it is farmed in waters with sewage run-off and the source of feed is pig feces.

Harbor Docks has been selling fish through its wholesale market since 1981. We sell to markets across the United States and Canada. We also sell to select restaurants along the Gulf Coast. Harbor Docks contracts with over 100 commercial boats to insure that we have an adequate supply of fresh fish.

We invite you to dine at our restaurants – Harbor Docks, in the heart of Destin, and Camille's, overlooking the Gulf in Crystal Beach. But we'd also encourage you to try any of the wonderful, independent, local restaurants in our area that are committed to serving Florida seafood. We know who they are, because we sell them their fish.



Check our website to find out which restaurants sell certified Gulf-to-Table fish from Harbor Docks Seafood Market.

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Snapper and Tuna stats: <http://oceana.org/en/news-media/publications/reports/oceana-study-reveals-seafood-fraud-nationwide>

Imported seafood stat: [http://www.fishwatch.gov/farmed\\_seafood/outside\\_the\\_us.htm](http://www.fishwatch.gov/farmed_seafood/outside_the_us.htm)

Tilapia/pig feces: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-10-11/asian-seafood-raised-on-pig-feces-approved-for-u-s-consumers.html>

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# SUMMER events

## Tuesdays

### Fat Tuesday Parade

**CONCERT 7:00pm  
PARADE 8:30pm**

The Harbor transforms into "The Big Easy!" Enjoy dazzling floats, colorful costumes, street performers, and float riders tossing handfuls of beads and swag!

## Thursdays

### Let Freedom Ring

**FLYOVER 6:30pm**

**CONCERT 7:00pm**

**FIREWORKS 9:00pm**

This all American celebration includes a one-of-a-kind WWII vintage plane flyover, live concert, fire-spinning, and a huge FIREWORK SHOW!

## Saturdays

### Rock the Docks

**FREE LIVE CONCERTS 7:30pm**

Music and excitement will fill the summer air! Rock along the docks and under the stars to live concerts all night.

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